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Union ban

on extra

imports

of coal

By Our Labour Correspondent Transport unions pledged vesterday their backing for a ban on increased foreign coal

imports, which miners' leaders

believe are about to be brought

in to undermine their 16-week

Union leaders representing railway workers, dockers, lorry

drivers and scamen all gave their support, with some unions immediately instructing mem-

bers not to handle fresh coal

imports, despite the apparently unlawful nature of that action.
Support for the miners came

at a meeting in London of six unions, which was told by Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the National Union of Minewor-

Gdansk, Poland, plans had been

drawn up to import "substan-

Mr Scargill said "certain forces within Britain with tacit

government approval" had held

the secret meeting on February 7 in a hotel with Polish trade officials and that a Polish official had been appointed to

Mr scargill said that a British

company was known to be involved.

Mr Sam McCluskie, deputy general secretary of the

National Union of Seamen, said that he would try to ensure that ships with Polish coal would

not be allowed to leave port.
The Polish Embassy said last

night that it knew nothing about

the plan and the National Coal

Board said it was not involved. Mr lan MacGregor, the board chairman, said: "We have been

having some talks with the

Poles, trying to persuade them

not to take advantage of the position in our industry. In this Mr Scargill and I are on the

Coal board officials have

noted an increase since the overtime ban of Polish imports

amouting to about 50,000 tonnes in a full year of

anthracite, which the NCB cannot satisfy demand and between 30,000 and 50,000

Instructions have been sent

out to National Union of

Railwaymen members not to

handle imports above the

normal three million tonnes a

year. The Train drivers' union,

organizer of the Transport and General Workers Union, said

he would strongly recommend

his executive to support the

Miners at the doomed

Polmaise pit in Stirlingshire

were on official strike yesterday (the Press Association reports).

Polmaise miners lobbying a

conference in Edinburgh on Monday when they heard that

an all-out strike at Scotland's 12

mines had been ruled out, by

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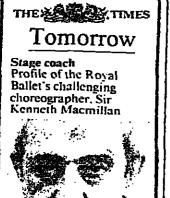
Aslef, also gave its full support.

tonnes of domestic coal.

work full-time on the project.

tial" amounts of cheap coal.

overtime ban.



Home front Ronald Butt analyses Leon Brittan's defence of the Government's "radical" credentials

Drinking problem The EEC has demanded tax changes for wine in Britain: a look at the Chancellor's options in the next Budget

Cricket shorts Derek Hodgson reports from New Zealand on the second of England's one day cricket matches

transferred.

tomorrow.

change her ground.

Street published the text of a

letter sent yesterday to his staff

by the director of the head-

quarters. Mr Peter Marychurch,

which was framed to win over

those two to three thousand

who have yet to make up their

minds. They have been given

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, after

again discussing with senior

colleagues the mood at Chelten-

ham and the progress of discussions between the unions and Sir Robert Armstrong.

Secretary to the Cabinet, agreed

to hold a further meeting with

the union's national leaders

The surprise defeat came

during the committee stage in

the Lords of the Telecommuni-

cations Bill, the day after the

Government was accused at the

European Court of Human

Rights in Strasbourg of "obses-

sive secrecy" over information

about telephone tapping.

A clause was added to the Bill

to control the right of the state

to intercept telephone calls, and to provide for fines of up to £5,000 and three years' imprisonment for unauthorized

It was approved by 129 votes

to 112 despite a plea from Lord

Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord

Advocate, that it would be

under interrogation by detec-

tives at Thames Valley police stations after a series of raids

linked to the discovery of arms

near Reading, Berkshire, and 10 Provisional IRA bombings in

The men, most of whom are

understood to have Irish back-

grounds, were arrested under the Prevention of Terrorism Act

London.

until March 1 to decide.

Book choice Reviews of a new work on Ernest Rutherford, the first man to split the atom, and the latest crop

Brittan blames the unions

Mr Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, yesterday laid the blame for Britain's 3 million unemployed at the feet of the trade unions and successive Labour governments.

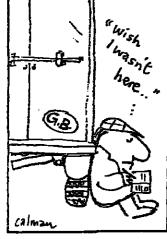
Addressing the Institute of Directors convention in London, he also reiterated that the professions should not remain unnecessarily sheltered from the stiff breezes of com-

Convention report, page 8

Labour 'budget' traco, Hattersley, at down chancellor, has laid down guidelines for a more moderate labour, and cross-bench peers ing.

Labour economic policy in his Page3 ping subject to statutory conalternative budget Botha summit

A summit between Mr P. W. Botha. South Africa's Prime Minister, and President Machel of Mozambique seems likely before the two countries sign a ioint security pact Page 7



Sterling surges

The pound and dollar both rose sharply against other world currencies on fears of threats to Vestern oil supplies from the Page 21 Middle East

Corbiere better

Corbiere, the 1983 Grand National winner, was confirmed us a likely runner for this year's Aintree race after x-ray examination of his injured leg revealed

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Thatcher says most **GCHQ** workers support union ban

● The Prime Minister told Parliament that she had won the support of most staff Government of "massaging" the acceptance at Government Communications Headquarters in Cheltenham for the decision to deprive them of trade union rights

• Mrs Thatcher agreed to meet the staff so far undecided that without union unions' leaders tomorrow, but has given no membership they would still benefit from indication that she will change her ground national agreements on pay and conditions

figures to include Cheltenham employees who were not union members

The Prime Minister yesterday said in Parliament that the Government had won the policy as already implemented support of the majority of staff when she said in the Commons at the Cheltenham communitation that Cheltenham had now been

brought into line as with other cations headquarters for its decision to deprive them of security organizations. official sources said that no more than about a dozen out of a supposed total of 7,000 union and a minimal number and non-union employees had positively refused the Governhad refused it. ment's terms, as urged by leaders of the Civil Service

taking union and non-union staff together, between 50 and unions, and asked to be 60 per cent had accepted Option A. by which they forego the right of trade union member-At the same time Downing ship and accept £1,000 each in compensation. Mr Marychurch's letter

showed some concern about the undecided, assuring them that they would still be part of the Home Civil Service, particularly in relation to agreements about national pay and con-

Countering various alle-gations made by the unions and by Opposition MPs, Mr Marychurch said that the changes has not been arbitrarily imposed by the Government, but stemmed from an initiative by the Cheltenham management which he had always supported.

The impression had been But not once since her last created that the Government meeting with them on February believed the staff to be lacking has Mrs Thatcher given any in loyalty. This was not so indication that she is willing to

Judgment in the case,

brought by a Surrey antiques dealer, Mr James Malone, is

expected late this year. If it is

against Britain new legislation

authority of the Home Sec-

individuals the right to sue in the courts but hitigation and

secrecy, which was necessary for

interception to be effective,

One Conservative voted against the Government.

in an area which includes bed-

The men were taken to

Reading police station and

another two police stations in

Last night a spokesman for

Thames Valley police said he

was unable to comment on the

sitters and has a small Irish

were difficult to reconcile.

The clause would give private

could be required in any case.

amendments

Seven held after raids

linked to arms cache

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Seven men were last night yesterday morning. Many were

when armed detectives from the arrests other than a brief

Thames Valley force and statement linking them to the Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist arms caches found on an estate

squad searched a number of at Pangbourne, Berkshire, last addresses in Reading early October.

population.

the area.

Government defeat

on phone tapping

P:: Philip Webster, Political Reporter

The director of GCHQ told those of his

By Julian Haviland and David Felton

Nor did she yesterday. She seemed rather to see the new loyalty and dedication of the policy as already implemented staff.

Echoing arguments used by ministers, Mr Marychurch said that the Government had acted "to remove any potential conflict of loyalties" which membership of national unions had produced in the past.

The issue was the fundamental conflict between GCHQ's It was said afterwards that operational responsibilities and taking union and non-union "the potential effect of national trade union membership".

Civil Service union leaders expressed disbelief at the Prime Minister's assertion that the majority of GCHQ staff had agreed to forego union membership and said that their imformation pointed to "no-where near 50 per cent have

The unions were more inclined to the view that Mrs Thatcher's statement was another round in the propaganda war being fought between themselves and the Government and Mr Peter Jones. secretary of the Council of Civil Service Unions, said: "I hope she was being bullish today in order to be conciliatory on Thursday".

Uniosay

Union officials welcomed the prospect of the Downing Street meeting tomorrow, which will follow a lobby of Parliament Continued on page 2, col 3

Roadblocks trap British lorry drivers

As many as 350 British lorry drivers may be stranded in France by the road hauliers' blockades, most of them in the valley up to the Mont Blanc for a week.

in Lyons, said two if his staff were travelling around the area, last night whether to attempt to reverse the Lords defeat in the trying to contact British lorry Commons. or to bring in drivers and mediating for them with police and the pickets. Telephone-tapping is carried out at present on the personal

has been given to drivers who A British lorry driver strand-

in a telephone interview with the BBC's World at One, said: "It is very cold and snowing . . we are having to try to find tyres and timber to burn to keep warm and dry. We are sleeping in the trucks; some of us have night beaters, but some of the trucks don't have heating."

He was with about 20 drivers who had spent six nights in these conditions. Other reports spoke of fuel freezing in the lorries' tanks and of drivers runging out of feel.

On the same programme, Mr Alan Payne, from the Lyons

By Richard Dowden

Mr Peter Young, the consul

"They are trying to persuade the pickets to allow the drivers to leave their trailers behind or to turn around or even to get

They were also trying to get local people to help the stranded drivers. "No money are running short yet, but that can be done as a last resort." ed in the valley up to Chamonix said yesterday that some them were running short of money

Mr Peter Mays, from Corby,

consulate, said he knew of no one in a very serious position.



Israelis cross Awali again in massive show of strength

From Christopher Walker, Sidon

June 6 1982. United Nations sources told

The Times that since Sunday, the Israelis had moved mechanized units into southern Lebanon and ferried in extra troops by helicopter. Yesterday, for the second time in only hours. Israeli warplanes bombed what were described as 'terrorist targets' in Lebanon.

On Monday, standing at what had been regarded as Israel's front line on the Awali Bridge. just north of the port city of Sidon, I watched as an Israeli armoured column of 15 tanks, two giant bulldozers, and over 60 crowded armoured personnel carriers rumbled north in a cloud of choking dust.

The massive show of force was apparently to deter vic-Trustees to

keep control

of Reuters

From a Staff Reporter

Reuters' Trustees are ex-

pected today to approve the formula by which they will retain control over the news-

agency's integrity and editorial

independence after it becomes a

public company in May.

this afternoon.

At a time when many Israelis torious Druze and Muslim minutes to roll noisily by. It was are pressing for a quick militias from pressing further an impressive sign of the way in which Israel – despite the many Lebanon, the Israeli Govern- Damour, about 15 miles south doubts at home - is apparently ment has over the past 48 hours of Beirut. It also let it be known still prepared to commit men ordered one of the biggest shows that Israel would hit back if of mechanized strength in the Palestinians begun infiltrating country since the invasion on southwards again, thus destroy-Awali defence line to which it retreated last year. Confusingly, the push came just as the Israeli Cabinet is considering an army

ISRAELI FRONT 🎎

ing any achievements of the war. Many observers saw the move as the establishment of an Israeli "red line" on the map of It took the column 40

Tribunal orders arrest of General Galtieri

Former Argentine President General Leopoldo Galtieri could face immediate disciplin ary action by Argentina's highest military court for having led the country into the disastrous Falklands War with Britain (Douglas Tweedale writes from Buenos Aires).

The supreme council of armed forces questioned Gen-eral Galtieri extensively vester-day about charges that he was negligent in his leadership of that war, and the news agency agency's business-information Noticias Argentinas reported that the military tribunal had ordered his arrest, after hearing A statement is expected early

The £1bn flotation on the stock exchange will give Reut-ers' owners, the Fleet Street and provincial newspapers, a multi-million windfall - made possible by the success of the

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Stockpiles abroad, page 2

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That every vehicle carried a

large conspicuous Star of

David, was indicative that it

was a mission designed prim-

arily to drive home a message

rather than for combat" said a UN officer, "Political messages

in Lebanon are traditionally

sent by military means, and it

seems Israel was following

As the soldiers in their

goggles waved from their tanks.

giving the operation a war-

movie flavour, a Christian

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Mondale takes off-Glenn comes down to earth

From Nicholas Ashford Des Moines, Iowa

*Tonight is the beginning of the end of the Reagan Adminis-tration," Mr Walter Mondale told jubilant supporters after his crushing victory in the lowa precinct caucuses on Monday night.

Easily fending off the chal-lenge posed by his seven rivals for the Democratic nomination. he captured 50 per cent of the 85,000 votes cast. With a handful of results to come, the nearest runners-up were Scha-tor Gary Hart, with 16 per cent Mr George McGovern, with 9 per cent.

The faltering campaign of Senator John Glenn suffered a crippling blow when the former astronaut finished fifth, with only 3 per cent. Monday was the 22nd anniversary of his earth orbit. As a rival campaign worker cruely remarked, "He has finally come down to earth

The other principal loser was Senator Alan Cranston who



The big loser, the old campaigner, the first choice: Senator Glenn, Mr McGovern and Mr Mondale.

came fourth with 7 per cent. Of the other three candidates. Mr Reubin Askew, who had sought to win conservative Democrats to his side by campaigning against abortion, finished just behind Mr Glenn. The Rev Jesse Jackson and Senator Ernest Hollings did not campaign in lows and won only a hamdful of votes.

Although Mr Mondale's confident prediction about recapturing the White House is premature, his victory here bolsters his argument that the nominating process is all but over and that he is assured of being the party's choice to run against Mr Reagan in Novem-

In particular, it strengthens his chances of coming first in the New Hampshire primary, the most important early contest of the campaign, next Tuesday.

Mr Mondale's success was even greater than his campaign officials had hoped. They attributed it to his superior organization, which included considerable support from trade unions, teachers and young volunteers from his neighbouring home state of Minnesota, and to his triple theme of the need for fairness, economic recovery and a safer Mr Hart has every reason to

be pleased with his second place which should gain him the recognition and funds he has so far lacked. If, as is expected he comes second in New Hampshire, it could turn into a two-horse race. However, the gap remains enormous, although Senator Hart pre-dicted it would narrow as other contestants dropped out. Mr McGovern's third place

came as a surprise. The former Senator from South Dakota had entered the campaign late, had virtually no money or organization and is still remem pered for the humiliating defeat be suffered at the hands of President Nixon in 1972. However, he presented himself as the liberal conscience of the Democratic Party and this clearly struck a chord with mainy Iowa voters.

"I performed a minor mir-acle here," he said. "The people of lowa voted with their Although Mr McGovern said his performance would der strate that he is a viable candidate, he is not expected to perform as well in New Hampshire and other early primaries.

The biggest surprise was the scale of Mr Glenn's defeat. Although his campaign staff had known for weeks that the tide had turned, they still hoped he would finish a strong "I got licked," the Ohio

Senator conceded. But he said

those who participated in the caucuses tended to be "liberal activists" and were not representative of the Democratic Party as a whole. Although it is too early to

write off Mr Glenn's chances, he could soon be out of the race uniess he can make a strong showing in primaries over the next three weeks.

Man who came second, page 6 Frank Johnson, back page

Hattersley takes moderate line in alternative budget

Higher public borrowing, a A reduction in prices and lower sterling exchange rate, industrial costs which are the extra public investment and redistributive tax and social security benefit changes were proposed by Mr Roy Hattersley, the shadow chancellor, last gramme, but Mr Hattersley was

But his speech, designed to lay down markers for Labour's new economic policy, was far more moderate in tone than the £11,000m alternative budget outlined by Mr Peter Shore last

Mr Hattersley attached no But has appeared to be arguing from the higher-paid. for only a "moderate" increase

rested upon: A "planned relaxation" of

the public sector borrowing requirment. concentration The concentration of most government spending on public investment

 Increases in social security benefits, combined with tax changes to redistribute benefits from rich to poor.

A "moderate" depreciation of sterling and "specific and

limited" import controls to improve industry's competiti-

Electronics

boost

for Scotland

By Ronald Faux

Danger of Chianti

Shin-Eisu Handoiai of Japan. one of the world's largest silicon producers, announced yesterday that it will invest more than £30m in a silicon plant at Livingston, Lothian, Commons last night. The move comes a few weeks

after the American company. SCI Systems Inc. of Alabama. announced that it is to build a multi-million plant at Irvine New Town, Strathelyde. The two projects will create a thousand new jobs by the end of the decade.

Mr Allan Stewart, Minister for Industry and Education at the Scottish Office, welcomed the Japanese investment yesterday at a press conference in

fear may have been done to the

party, at Chesterfield and

nard, who said on Monday that

she would not consider the IRA

Mr Peter Archer, QC, chief

responsibility of government (for example, energy prices). These elements were present

careful not to express any on a massive financial scale. His speech mainly concentrated on the need to assist industry, by lowering the exchange rate and by abolishing the national insurance surcharge.

Even here, he suggested that numbers to his ingredients for some of the cost could be an alternative budget in a reclaimed by abolishing the speech to his constituency party ceiling on national insurance in Birmingham. Sparkbrook, contributions, to raise more

To raise revenue to help to in public borrowing.

His budget, which he said was "more likely to meet the nation's real needs than the shibboleths of monetarism", ing up on fringe benefits and tax

> However, Mr Hattersley said that the case for a moderate increase in public borrowing was overwhelming. He argued that it was a highly-desirable way of paying for new plant and machinery. "I suspect that the famous Grantham grocer's shop

was bought on credit."
He argued that a boost to demand was essential to help industry, in particular manufac-turing industry, which he said had been written off by the

and drugs

The combination of drinking chianti and taking certain antidepressant drugs could be fatal, Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Minister for Health, said in the

The Italian wine contains high levels of tyramine, a substance which cannot be metabolized in patients receiving treatment with the monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAOIs) group of anti-de-

Sir David Price, Conservative MP for Eastleigh, had asked the Minister to identify the biochemical properties of Chianti in connexion with

Labour tries to limit damage on IRA

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Labour leaders tried yester- a terrorist organization, and said that the way they were day to limit the damage they emphasized that Miss Maynard, being reported would assist the

MP for Sheffield, Bright side

and a member of the national

words had been taken out of

land, said that Labour unhesi-tatingly condemned the IRA as that she did not intend, but he was some truth in that, he said,

Council workers to vote on pay offer

By Barrie Clement Labour Reporter

authority manual workers yesterday agreed to put a "final" 4.5 per cent pay offer to their members.

The proposed deal, which will cost £115m, covers the largest single group of public sector workers and will be used as a precedent for more than two and a half million employees in central and local government. The offer breaks the Cabinet's pay guideline of 3 per cent.

It will inevitably influence the negotiations of leaders of 100,000 white collar staff in the National Health Service who yesterday called for a £100 minimum wage and a 7 per cent pay rise across the board.

Mr John Edmonds, who led the negotiating team for the council workers, said he would not be recommending the deal to members of the three unions involved. But he added: "We have a settlement that, with luck, will protect their living standards this year. But we still have a deep and serious

The local authority emwarned the union negotiators, who represent members of the general and municipal workers, the transport and general workers and the National Union of Public Employees, that the improved offer could nean redundancies, reduced services and more privatization.

problem about low pay."

The employers said: "The important factor the unions should remember is that we will be struggling to find the money for this settlement, and there is no question of negotiating

Pay talks last month ended with them repeating a 3 per cent offer amid union alletations that the Government had intervened to keep the wage offer down. Yesterday employers raised the offer first to 3.87 per cent and then to 4.4 per

The deal consists of a flat rate increase for each grade of worker. Basic pay for the lowest grade would rise from £66.90 to £70.30; the highest grade, including craftsmen and some drivers, would receive £85.25, compared with £81.85. The total pay bill would rise by 4.5

The employers said the effects of the pay rise on employment and services would vary, but they expected there central government stringency. They are also anxious that the offer is not used as a benchmark

being reported would assist the

at One, he said that Miss

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tem, some people unhappily, would take to violence. There

Speaking on Radio 4's World

IRA cause.

Mr Archer said he did not that if there was no obvious

know whether Miss Maynard's redress for people's grievances



Regal Revival: Life-size models displaying dress worn at the British court from the late nineteenth century will be on view at Kensington Palace state apartments from May 24. Mr Nigel Arch, the curator, who assembled the exhibition, is on the right. (Photograph: Brian Harris.)

RAF seeks more **TriStars**

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

The RAF wants to embark on a programme costing up to £300m to replace its 22 Victor aircraft used as tankers for airto-sir refuelling.
The aircraft, whih started

life in the 1950s as bombers, are coming to the end of their operational service, and will probably be phased out by the end of the decade.

The Falklands conflict demonstrated the need for a much larger air tunker capacity and six Tri-Star wide-hodied jets were bought. Those, as well as nine VC10s, are being converted.

RAF wants to acquire a further five or six Tri-Stars at today's favourable prices and convert a similar number of VC10s to replace the Victors. Both aircraft have a much greater capacity than Victors.



Back inside: Michael Hickey yesterday voluntarily ended a record 91-day rooftop protest at Leicestershire, over his conviction for the murder of Carl Bridgewater, a Staffordshire newsboy. A Home Office minister said 24 hours earlier that force would not be used to "passive"

Cheap coal imports stockpiled abroad

Central Electricity Generating compared with imports. The ment request to limit its coal imports to 750,000 tonnes a year, even though Polish and South African coal is more than £20 a tonne cheaper than from Britain.

The government import limit, imposed to help the National Coal Board, has led to the CEGB stockpiling six million tounes of Australian coal in Rotterdam, Antwerp and Amsterdam which it has bought under long-term con-tracts. Each year 750,000 tonnes are shipped to Britain.

Financial compensation is paid to the electricity supply industry by the Government for its agreement of take up 60 per cuet of the National Coal Board's output each year,

almost 77 million tonnes. Freedom to buy coal on the open world markets would help the CEGB to cut its annual fuel bill, but the electricity industry has constantly underlined its willingness to help the coal board if prices can be brought

Its insistence on keeping the door slightly open to Australian imports is to provide a bargain-ing lever during annual contract price talks with the coal board.

Electricity generation experts have calculated that even with shipping costs, imported coal would still be substantially coal produced in the North-east of England and delivered to the Thameside power stations with imports shows the following prices per tonne:

UK coal Polish S African Australian

sates for the generally poorer tioned for 55 hours.

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Britain's largest coal user, the calorific value of British coal

prices are also based on the coal spot market, Longterm import contracts could be negotiated with prices as much as 20 per Britain's other main coal user. British Steel, which burns 7,500,000 tonnes a year in its

furnaces, takes 4,500,000 tonnes imports the remainder under long-term contracts from the United States, Australia and The price is a commercial secret, but British Steel points

out that it buys all the coal of the quality it needs that can be produced in Britain, Imports are used simply to meet the shortfall in supply. Department of Energy figures

show that in the first eleven months of last year total coal imports to Britain were 4,130,000 tonnes, with the final annual total likely to be similar to that of 1982 at 4,400,000 Figures also show that Britain

subsidizes each tonne by £3.20, West Germany by £4.50, France by £17.20 and Belgium by

Police extend nusband's ball

Police yesterday extended until April 2 bail on the husband of Mrs Janice Weston, the solicitor whose body was found in a layby on the A1 last September. The Director of Public Prosecutions is still considering the Mr Anthony Weston was

The calculation also compenreleased from police custody on
December 17 after being ques-

the lower Clyde yard. "It would

 Shop stewards at Scott Lithgow were yesterday assured

by senior managers of Trafalger House that the company had no

Rate rises likely to average 6%

By David Walker

Rates are likely to rise in April by an average of only 6 per cent, barely 1 or 2 per cent above the expected inflation rate. Budget meetings taking place in town halls this week and next are expected to

However, there will be some striking exceptions. Among the last councils to show their hands will be the inner-city Labour authorities such as Hackney in east London. Leader, Mr Anthony Kendall, has said that it might push rates up by far more than the rate of inflation to avoid redundancies. Unexpected movements in

the complex grants and targets are producing some freak increases. The district of Eden in Cumbria, covering Penrith, where most councillors are "non-party", will increase its rate by 38 per cent.

increase its rate by 10 per cent, with a £8m cut in expenditure. The police were called to evict protesters from the concil chamber in Edinous

The 7.5 per cent cut in the Greater London Council's rate already announced will allow some of the Conservative outer London boroughs to hold or even cut their rates slightly. Harrow, for example, is about to declare that its precept

is unchanged and its ratepayers could enjoy a 2.5 per cent cut Good news for ratepayers could prove an embarrassment for Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, in steering the controversial Rates Bill through the House of

Commons.

His Labour opponents will argue that the moderate rises prove that there is no need for the sweeping powers contained in the Bill

NGA joins study on newspaper technology

An unprecedented level of cooperation over new technology between provincial newspaper publishers and the National Graphical Association is due to be announced tomorrow.

A joint study of several newspapers will be launched by the union and the Newspaper Society, the employers' body which represents about 1:100 publications. It will concentrate on the source of the material printed in the papers, a particularly sensitive issue.

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The study will take place against the background of "Operation Breakthrough", an initiative started in late 1982 in which the Newspaper Society has said that a deal over new technology must be reached by the end of this year.

if there is no "enabling agreement" by then, the employers have pledged to go ahead with non-union labour. It is understood that some newspaper groups have already trained stand-by staff.

The study will reveal how much can be "keyed in" directly to computers by editorial and advertising staff and how much material originates from outside which would be typed in by NGA members.

Both sides are anxious to establish this ratio. The proportion will vary, with lower-staffed weeklies taking more material from outside.

At the moment the vast majority of copy appearing in

provincial newspapers is processed by the union's "oper-ators". although there are already signs that its monopoly is breaking down. Most big regional newspapers

have conducted their own surveys on the subject, but this will be the first public research. It is understood that the Newspaper Society hopes that the findings will be available for discussion by May. The joint study is seen by the

employers as more evidence that the union is slowly coming to terms with the inevitability of new technology. The union is confident,

however, that it will prove that there is still need for a substantial number of its

3 recovering after heart transplants

merden from heart-transplant west London where Mr Magdi began a 19-hour stint on

shire was already out of bed

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'support union ban'

Some union officials believed that it was that fresh initiative, predicted in The Times on Monday, which prompted the Prime Minister to make her statement in the Commons. The unions hope to embarrass the Government by securing support, in the form of signed copies of their own option paper, from large numbers of staff.

than at Cheltenham.

The Civil Service unions had earlier urged members not to draw up plans for a a one-day strike next Tuesday, when there is to be a national day of protest against the Government's union ban at Cheltenham.

telling members to ignore calls from local activitists for industrial action and to wait for the outcome of tomorrow's talks.

Trophies stolen

GCHQ staff

Continued from page 1 already been organized by the

They had earlier yesterday decided on their own propa-ganda initiative by presenting GCHQ staff with a third option, which would allow them to their union while retaining their employment

Mr Jones said that most of the staff referred to by the Prime Minister were non-unionists and he accused the Government of "massaging" the figures. About 4,000 people are employed at Cheltenham and a further 3,000 at out stations elsewhere in Britain and abroad. The unions estimate that their members rep-resent about 60 per cent of the staff, with a higher proportion of members in the out stations

Senior union officials are

Thieves stole 12 silver trophies from Abingdon School in Oxfordshire which will be host next month to a crime prevention quiz run by Thames Valley

fshore construction yards face a another. new threat of lost business with the decision by Sun Oil, the American oil company, to place

The company and its part-ners in the Balmoral field development met on Monday and reaffirmed their decision to

which is involved as technical adviser to all three companies bidding for the Scott Lithgow As a potential compromise, however, Sun Oil is understood to have offered that a sizable Jan 51 proportion of the assembly work for the floating production vessel could be done in British

yards. The Cammell Laird yard

at Birkenhead, which is also part of British Shipbuilders, was

among those that hoped to win

£125m oil vessel order lost By Jonathan Davis, Financial Correspondent British shipbuilding and of the order. Howard Doris was Lithgow from British Shiphore construction yards face a another.

Lithgow from British Shipbuilders, said it was keen to

The Balmoral development obtain orders for the Balmoral was approved by the Department of Energy in December. a £125m order for a revolution—
ary North Sea oil production vessel overseas.

Ministers there have subsebe a tragedy if this order, the quently failed to convince Sun first of its kind, were to go Oil to place the key production overseas", a spokesman said. vessel order in Britain but they are still confident that 70 per cent of the overall orders for the

field will still come here. Iranically the order seems certain to go to the Swedish company Gotanverk Arendal, which is involved as tasking the company had no plans to withdraw its bid three bidders to take over Scott (Ronald Faux writes).

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British Shipbuilders waras of 2,000 job losses at Scott Lithgow after year's loss of £66m in 1982/3 financial year Britoil caucels £88m semi-submersible rig Prime Minister refuses to intervene Workers at yard back call for national strike over pay an

Britoil chairman Sir Philip Shelbourne still prepared to talk about rig order National shipyard strike called off Trafalgar House says bid could save 1,500 jobs Transpar Frouse says out could save 1,500 poos Bechtel emerges as possible rival bidder for yard Howard Doris expresses interest in yard Trafalgar House signs conditional agreement with Shipbuilders to acquire yard Government says all bids will be considered BP threatens to cancel its £60m rig order

Sale room

£2,700 cap among secondhand clothes

unconsidered gem in someone else's junk.

Some months ago Mrs Judith Howard, who lives near Melk-sham. Wiltshire, achieved just such a coup when she bought a lot for £10 in an informal local The lot included a colourful cap of notable quality which

subsequently proved to be a

gentleman's nightcap cm-

broidered with silk and gold

and silver thread dating from

Yesterday in a sale of costume and textiles at Chris-

In recent years car boot and garage sales have proliferated, and it is the dream of every dabbler in antiques to find an dealer from New York for tic's South Kensington it was auctioned again, this time going to Cora Ginsberg, a specialist dealer from New York for began a four-day series of sales

£5,000). This sale, consisting for the most part of what would have been considered until recently to be second-hand clothes, did very well making £67,578 with around 9 per cent bought in over 126 lots. However, given the romantic appeal of the Jacobites, which sometimes translates well into financial terms, one lot might have been that the disconnections. That was chairs from about 1750, went to me to make the following that about 1750, went to me to me

began a four-day series of sales at their Pulborough sale room with furniture, bronzes and works of art. A pleasing small £2,700 (estimate £2,000 to George III satinwood and retaire chest of drawers, with shelves above, which dated from about 1790, went to the slightly disappointing. That was chairs, from about 1760 (estiabishop's mitre which belonged to the last of the Stuart first session of the series pretenders. Henry IX, the produced a total of £150,683 (Cardinal Duke of York It sold with just under 4 per cent

Lothian yesterday decided to Three men were recovering Some exceptions to the 6 per cent average veer the other way.

Yacoub and his surgical team Satunday. The first patient, Mr Stephen Syer, a design engineer, aged 41, from Cheltenham, Gloucester-

received "piggy back" donor hearts to boost their ailing hearts. One patient was notnamed, the other was Mr Edward Gorham, aged 56, from Kenton, west London.

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Video for Sun Alliance.

Take Sun Alliance, Sun Alliance, one of the country's leading insurance companies are now using video as part of their nationwide training and marketing plans designed to promote a wide range of insurance products. Twenty six Sun Alliance branches have been supplied with VHS

players and monitors and, according to Shirley Jackson, their Audio Visual Officer, it has all been a great success. Video has more impact than slides, is more memorable and gives a greater feeling of immediacy.

She was pleased too, with the company she eventually chose as supplier, in her words again, Without doubt, REW Video were the most helpful. Their prices were competitive and they have a nationwide

servicing facility. Speed of delivery confirmed my views – all 26 branches were kitted out in less than three weeks from placing my order. Whatever your business needs, REW Video consultancy will design and supply you the system you require, at the price you want. With nationwide back-up service that is second to none. Contact our sales office.



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Building societies seek power to offer all home-buying services

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspo

allowed to offer a comprehen-sive home-buying service, including conveyancing, an estate agency, structural surveys and insurance broking, the Building Societies Association said ves-

It also wants a greater role for societies in shared ownership schemes, power to hold land for housing development, as well as offering cheque books, credit cards, personal loans and hire purchase on the same terms as other financial institutions.

These are the main proposals in the association's report. New Building Societies, to be submitted to the Government, which has promised legislation on building societies' powers. A consultathis year, with legislation in two or three years.

The Government announced veyancing monopoly was to be broken, giving banks, building societies and non-solicitors the right to carry out the work.

The Law Society criticized the association's proposals on conveyancing vesterday, saying there would be "potentially serious conflicts of interest and loss to the public of indepenent and impartial advice. some and prevents societies household godIf building societies were from responding to customers. Smith writes). dent and impartial advice.

Computers

'draw too

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discussed today.

attract girls.

Building societies should be able to offer such work, this demands and the housing would inevitably result in a market's needs as much as they reduction in the freedom of would wish. choice available to the con-sumer, which would result in anti-competitive practices." Announcing the final pro-

posals, after a year's consultation among building societies. Mr Herbert Walden, the association chairman, said that he would be disappointed if the Government did not give societies the power to extend their activities in most of the

areas mentioned. The wider activities will greatly strengthen the building societies, and enable them to make a greater contribution to their investors and to the good housing of the nation,

Mr Walden said that they give document is expected later could think of few instances where there might be a conflict of interests, but emphasized that there would be no compullast week that solicitors' con- sion on any borrower to use all services. He said there was probably a case for having the estate agency separate from a society's mainstream activity, in the way that Lloyds Bank was separate from its Black Horse estate agency.

> The report says that legislation is needed because the existing framework is cumber-

power to hold the freehold or leasehold reversion of homes being purchased under shared ownership schemes.

Mr Walden said they wanted to play a greater part in shared ownership, in which they had limited involvement through housing associations.

The association says inreased powers for societies would reduce the number of creased organizations and individuals with whom buyers have to deal.

"This could help to reduce the confusion and apprehension which many house buyers feel. There would also be the opportunity to speed up the house-purchase process. The association emphasizes

that staff providing such services would be suitably qualified, and that people must retain the freedom to choose their building society, insurance broker, surveyor and solicitor.
 The report also recommends that societies should have limited scope to make unsecured loans, at present all loans have to be secured on property, and the association envisages societies using this to grant loans for furniture and household goods (Peter Wilson-

Teachers' pay rises 'cut cash for books'

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Only 20 per cent of young people in inner London taking by Sir Keith Joseph, the computer studies at A level are Secretary of State for Education, spending on pay from spending on pa girls and only 23 per cent of teachers in the subject are for the low quality of books and equipment in schools. women, according to a survey He told the Commons select

of computer education to be A report by Mr William "reasonable" amounts to be spent on books and equipment, Stubbs, the education officer of the Inner London Education Authority (ILEA), which will be building maintenance teacher training. But this desubmitted to the authority's pendeds on teachers' pay rises equal opportunities sub-combeing kept to 3 per cent this mittee proposes three measures

to encourage more women "If the teacher associations teachers in the subject and to succeed in negotiating a pay increase that is more than that It says that computer studies for which provision has been retraining courses should be made, the extra money has to offered to teachers employed in come from somewhere." London and to teachers who

The contribution from the have left the ILEA's employ but taxpayer and the ratepayer has been already fixed, so the extra money that the teachers have roreign students with their employers which provision has been made New rises in fees charged to tends to come, alas, year after overseas students at universities year, from the maintenance

fund and funds put aside for books and equipment." Teachers' pay awards, the biggest element in the education budget had for many years fee for an arts degree goes up to "raided" cash for bo £3.150 a year and a science equipment, he said. "raided" cash for books and

The level of pay rises for servative MP for Ealing North teachers was blamed yesterday and a former head teacher, on books and equipment, thereby forcing authorities to spend money on certain items. committee on education, that Sir Keith replied that he would the Government planned for be regarded as a potential be regarded as a potential dictator if he sought such powers.

"Expenditure in real terms per child is at record high levels and the pupil-teacher ratio is at record low levels. But the fact is that there is a limited amount of money, a very large amount of money but limited.

Sir Keith said that his plans to raise standards, outlined in his Sheffield speech last month, would affect primary schools as much as secondary schools. In the former there would be a greater formulation of objectives in terms of skills, knowfor an increase above that for of each child when moving to a secondary school.

He envisaged that this would involve testing primary school children. On the subject of graded tests for secondary pupils, he said he did not want to suggest that these were a panacea. The benefits of his reforms would be seen after four to five years and full benefits in

Teenager 'left

dent, was still alive when the teenager accused of her murder left her lying on a footpath in a Peak District beauty spot, a

aged 18, added that the jury would have to consider the possibility that someone else came along after Mr Smith left - and that that person was involved in the final killing.

Mr Smith would tell the jury that when he left Miss Renhard

she was still breathing, and her eyes were moving.

Earlier, photographs of the dead girl were shown to the jury, and Dr Stephen Jones, a pathologist, listed more than 30 injuries to her body. They were mainly abrasions and bruises to her neck, head, arms, hands and

Mr Smith, of Buxton Road, Castleton, Derbyshire, has de-nied murdering Miss Renhard at Cave Dale, Castelton, on June 27 last year. At the time,

Miss Renhard, aged 21, who came from West Hagley, West Midlands. was manually The case continues today.



Vets restore sight to blind guide dogs

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By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

The working life of guide dogs and their usefulness to their blind owners is being blind owners is being extended by improved diagnosis and treatment of animals' eye defects. Veterinary scientists are

successfully tackling the paradox that the dogs most suited to be guide dogs, labradors, golden retrievers and German shepherds are also among those most likely to become blind.

Much of the work is being done by scientists of the animal health trast, a registered charity which produced its annual report yesterday. Last year the trust, which has its

Bad traders

blacklist

forshoppers

By Craig Seton

Traders who overcharge their

customers or carry out poor

"blacklist" in a consumer

magazine to be distributed to

60,000 shoppers by the Con-

sumer Services Department of

The decision was taken after

departmental checks revealed extensive overcharging and

It is believed to be the firs

time that such a step has been

taken by a local authority. West

dogs" receive 27,000 com-

plaints a year and initiate about

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cheating.

beadquarters in Newmarket. Suffolk, examined about 2,000 guide dogs, including about 900 eye problems.

Dr Keith Barnett, head of

the trust's unit of comparative ophthalmology, has performed many operations to retore sight to dogs and other animals. He said yesterday: "It is obviously very important to prolong the working life of a guide dog. "By using differential diag-

nosis procedures, we can recognize which defects are hereditary and which are not. The address of the Animal Health Trust is Fanwades Hall, Kennett, Newmarket, Suffolk, CB8 7PN.

Solicitors win scope to control Law Society By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent

Rank-and-file Ihroughout England and Wales Society does in their name", he have won a fundamental change added. n the way they vote at meetings of the Law Society, their professional body, giving them greater control over its de-

A motion has been carried at a special general meeting, which for the first time enables voting-

Mr Stanley Best, chairman of the British Legal Association, a finger group of 3,000 solicitors which called for the meeting. said yesterday that the decision "historic". "For the first time, it gives the hitherto largely and involves them in subsidi-silent majority of solicitors the ing the wealthier, larger firms.

solicitors ability to control what the Law

Under the new system, decisions will no longer be taken by the few hundred solicitors in and around Lonmeetings, he said.

The new voting system is likely to be used for the first time on the controversial issue of the way solicitors are insured compulsorily for negligence.

Solicitors generally want a change in the present system. they argue penalizes small, partner-intensive firms and involves them in subsidiz-

Doctor's trailing in micro revolution

By Our Social Services

The National Health Service is lagging behind in using microcomputers in family doctors' surgeries, a Royal College of General Practitioners, report

says.

Dr. Norman Stoddart, ICI computer fellow at the college. said vesterday that about 300 of the 27,000 family doctors use micro computers in the surgery. despite their ability to free doctors to devote more time to patient care.

A survey last year of 50 doctors in the British Computer Society's primary health group showed that most used microcomputers to speed up paper work, rather than to help with

diagnoses.
The most common uses were to monitor and issue repeat prescriptions; to imporve preventative medicine to call patients in for vaccinations, cervical smears or counselling: and to compile age and sex registers to provide a clearer profile of the doctor's fist. Only four of the 50 used

computers for diagnostic pur-The college says: "Despite the improvements computers could

make in preventing illness. thereby saving health funds, the NHS lags behind in these new Paramedical health service staff are seeking increases of up

to 60 per cent to restore their pay to the levels of 10 years ago. Unions representing the 45.000 physiotherapists, radiographers and allied professions have also told the review body that since the Halsbury award of 1974, their pay has declined by between 17 and 40 per cent against the retail price index. The Government's allowance

for pay rises in health auth-orities' budgets for the next financial year is 3 per cent.

degree to £4.150. Mr Harry Greenway, Con-Tatchell still attacked and insulted after poll defeat

By Alan Hamilton

and polytechnics in England

vesterday by Sir Keith Joseph,

the Secretary of State for Education. The recommended

Wales were annouced

A year to the day since they abandoned their traditional Labour loyalties and delivered to the Liberals an unexpected by-election victory, the voters of Bermondsey return to the polls tomorrow. It is no more than a parish pump contest in Burgess ward

to elect a new councillor, and would be entirely unremarkable but for the fact that the local Labour Party secretary in this depressed south London en-clave just east of the Elephant and Castle remains Mr Peter Tatchell, upon whose head was heaped most of the blame for Labour's loss of what it regarded as an impregnable fortress last February.

Mr Tatchell spoke to *The Times* yesterday of how he is

still the subject of regular personal abuse and even physical attacks. "Not long ago I had a bottle thrown at me from a car as I

waited at a bus stop. My bicycle has had its tyres slashed and been covered with National Front stickers. Late last year l got on a train in Birmingham and was physically attacked by a crowd of hoodlums: I had to take refuge in the guard's van. "It can happen anywhere. even going to the shops round the corner. I do not know who

these people are, but if they send me hate mail it often has a swastika attached, so I can People who insult me in the street always use the same six or seven words of insult. in



Bermondsey

varying order, and they will tell me to get back to Russia, or even back to Australia. It is anxiety-provoking, but more than that it is just damned annoying. "For some people I seem to

have become a left-wing hate figure and a symbolic punching bag", Mr Taichell said. He still lives in a council flat in the constituency and says he

has strong supportf rom his

neighbours, who are quek to report any suspicious callers to his well-locked front door. As local party secretary, he is involved in tomorrow's ward election but declines to give details of his work, for fear that people will abuse him in the streets and that opposition parties will make a meal of any comment he makes. Similarly

he refuses to say whether he will be returning to Chesterfield to give support to Mr Tony Benn in his by-election fight.

girl alive' Susan Renhard, an art stu

court was told yesterday.

Mr Martin Thomas QC, who is defending Norman Smith,

But he told the Nottinghamshire Court: "On any view his (Mr Smith's) behaviour cannot be excused".

she was taking photographs for a degree course at Manchester Polytechnic.

strangled, the court heard.

2,500 prosecutions, but county councillors decided it was time to shame blacklisted traders. PM's son target of peerage Bill

Mr William Hamilton, Labour MP for Fife central, yesterday tabled a bill which, he says, is specifically designed to prevent the Prime Minister's son Mr Mark Thatcher from becoming an hereditary peer.
He will present the Bill to the commons next Thursday.

Under its provisions hereditary peerages could be created for former Prime Ministers or anybody else within 90 days of its becoming law. Existing hereditary peerages would disappear on the death of the present incumbent. would disappear on the

Record sales of French wine The British are drinking

more French wine than ever before and sales last year rose by more than 24 million bottles. In 1983 a record 149 million litres were exported to Britain 18 million litres more than the previous year, according to Food and Wine from France, the French produce promoter. Champagne sales increased by 28 per cent to 7,600,000 litres, Architects free

to advertise Members of the Royal Insti-

tute of British Architects will be able to advertise in newspapers magazines or any other printed publication from March 1. The change was agreed by the RIBA council at the end of last year, and comes after members argued that they were at a disadvantage compared with non-members who may advertise under the rules of the Architects Registration Council.

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Jameson withdraws libel action against BBC chief was not his responsibility and time and Mr Jameson has also any way, he said. Most people Mr Derek Jameson, the

former Fleet Street editor, vesterday halted his High Court libel action against Mr Aubrey Singer, the managing director of BBC television. However, Mr Jameson, aged

54, the former editor of the Deily Star and News of the World is continuing his claim for damages against the BBC over a sketch in the Radio 4 comedy series Week Ending in March 1980.

Mr Singer, who was manag-ing director of BBC radio at the time, had told the court that he had no knowledge of the content of the programme. It

he had no editorial function. He said he had no reason for any spite or malice against Mr

Having heard the evidence, Mr Jameson's counsel, Mr David Eady QC, told Mr Justice Comyn and the jury that he no longer considered it "right or appropriate" continue the action against Mr

The judge asked the jury formally in enter judgment with costs for Mr Singer against Mr Jameson, which they did. He said: "You have taken a very proper course at a very proper done so."
Mr Jameson says that the

programme made him out to be illiterate and stupid" and "like a moron". The BBC denies libel and says the programme was fair comment on a matter of public interest. Giving evidence on the seventh day of the action Mr lieved that he was interested in

Guy Jenkin, a freelance scriptwriter, who wrote about two-thirds of the programme complained of, said he looked on what he wrote as "satire". Regular listeners knew it was not a news programme and did not expect it to be factual in

knew it was fantasy
The author of the sketch, Mr John Langdon, said that the idea for it came from an interview given by Mr Jameson to the Radio 4 Today programme earlier that week. Mr Langdon said: "I be-

selling newspapers rather than giving them any literary or cultural merit." His personal view of the Daily Star was that it "pandered to the lowest common denominator in content and price". However he bore Mr

Jameson no ill feeling.

Most of staff at Cheltenham take offer of £1,000

GCHQ DISPUTE

Most of those on the staff at GCHQ at Cheltenham accepted the Government's option that they be naid £1,000 and undertake not to be Mrs Thatcher said during Prime Ministers question time in the

Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield. Hillsborough. Lab) said: coming out against the working people at CiCHQ having the right to be in unions is seen as a continuation of the anti-trade union legislation her Covernment has been passing for

It is bound to give aid and comfort to anti-trade union groups like the pro-Nazi group which is deeply entrenched in the bowels of the Tory party. (Conservative protests). It is bigger than I thought. Will she explain why she and her Covernment are so passionately tond of free trade unionism in Poland and are definitely going to kill it if they can in this country."

Mrs Thatcher: Mr Flannery must be hard put to it for a question. People from all parts of this House fought against Nazi Socialism - people from every part of the House - and

have accepted the Government offer and a minimal number have

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Stockton, South, SDP): Does she accept that the events of the past few weeks have seriously damaged the interesis of GCHO.

steps the Civil Service unions were prepared to take will she negotiate settlement which will repair that

Mrs Thatcher: I do not accept that serious damage has been done to GCHQ by this. The serious damage 1979 to 1981 and that damaged the security of this country.

essence of the Government case is that the intelligence and security services have always been treated differently and now this security organization has been brought into line with that other

The majority of people at GCHQ have accepted the option placed

● Later, on a point of order, Mr Tony Banks (Newham North West, Joby Banks (Newman North West, Lab) said he had learnt this (Tuesday) morning from a constitu-ent who was a civil servant that instructions had been issued by the Civil Service Department that no



Banks: Department's gross interference

entitlement in order to attend the lobby of Parliament on Thursday in respect of the GCHQ trade union ban.

department represents (he said) gross interference in the rights of constituents to approach their MP and the right of access of MPs to their constituents a matter of important national significance.

He asked the Speaker, Mr Bernard Weatherill) to use his good offices on the ministers concerned to get the instruction withdrawn.

If his constituent had disciplinary action taken against him by attending the lobby, he intended to make representations to the Speaker that it would be a breach of parliamentary privilege.

The Sneaker said he could assure Mr Banks that the rights governing access to the House would be no different on Thursday from any

Government defeated over telephone tapping

TELECOM BILL

European Court of Human Rights.

control and punishment of those

who carried out unauthorised

The clause provided for fines of up to £5.000 and up to three years imprisonment for offences under

Lord Mishcon said he could thank

no desire to impinge upon the proper use by the state of their

stances. It was, however, a right

invasion of a sacred right. There was

which must be circume properly otherwise it was

SCOTLAND

telephone tapping.

Peers had read this morning in The Times of the fact that the Attorney General (Sir Michael A proposal from Opposition peers to include in the Telecommuni-Havers) appeared yesterday for the Government in a case which dealt with telephone tapping and the fact that Britain had no proper safeguards and was in breach of the cations Bill a statutory control over telephone tapping was carried in the House of Lords by 17 votes. Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Advocate, speaking for the Governhuman rights convention. He suggested that if ever there was a topical moment to carry out ment, said that this would be an inappropriate time to make such a this clause it was now. change in the law as a case involving the Government was now before the

Lord Lloyd of Kilgeran (L), Supporting the clause, said that passing it would be a useful and helpful method of enabling the Government to put itself within the European law in relation to human The proposal was in a clause moved by Lord Misheon, on behalf of the Opposition, when peers resumed the committee stage of the Bill. He said that it sought to ensure there was a statutory provision for the control of the right of the state to Lord Mackay of Clashfern said that only yesterday the European Court of Human Rights were indulge in telephone tapping and to put measures into the Bill for the

hearing oral submissions arising out of the case of Malone and the decision had been postponed for some time. It would seem to the Government that this would not be an appropriate time for it to attempt to deal with this matter in legislation when there was a case pending that was absolutely gerof nothing more annoying than having one's telephone tapped without proper control. There was

Unwarrented telephone tanning was an offence under the provisions of the Bill already. The only question was whether the grant of a warrant by the Secretary of State should be subject to controls which were set out in the statute or should be a matter of the personal administrative responsibility of the Secretary of State for which he was answerable to parliament.

osition that to be affective it must be secret. Inclusion of the new clause in the Bill would give private individuals the right to sue the Secretary of State in a civil suit in the courts the courts would be obliged to adjudicate and all the velant information would have to



Mackay: Not appropriate time for this matter

Secrecy and Intugation were difficult to reconcile. The White Paper on this subject set out detailed administrative procedures and safeguards on behalf of the police, customs and excise and the

security service.

A further safeguard was the position of British Telecom. They needed the confidence of their customer and would not put it at

efficiency Caledonian MacBrayne's

This adds weight to the practical objections to RET. Besides offering

no encouragement to efficient operation it would, by stimulating demand, itself increase the need for

new investment in shipping ca-pacity. Since the subsidy require-

ment would be calculated automati-cally by reference to a formula

unrelated to shipping costs. that

ably from one year to the next.

Sudden increases in subsidy could only be achieved at the expense of

other services

It is however important to have a fares system that is clearly understood. P & O and the bulk

shippers are private sector operators who fix their fares and charges on a

commercial basis
In the case of Caledonian
MacBrayne the Monopolies and

Mergers Commission noted the

company's policy that fares on one route should be comparable with

those on another, and that a standard fare scale should be

adopted consisting of three elements

the cost of loading), and distance

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fares should be related to costs structure of fares tapering with incurred.

structure of fares tapering with distance. The commission noted

Lord Harris of Greenwich (SDP) said there were three cases in which there was no doubt telephone tapping and mail intervention was right: espionage, international trade narcotics, and grave offences

which could cause loss of life. The Government had a clear obligation to bring forward legislation of its won if it did not like this

Britain was once again being dragged to the European Court and it was quite obvious what the judgment was going to be. Britain had already lost the arguments in the European Commission. The judgment could cause great

damage to the international reputation of the country, and could give rise to some views that there was something very mysterious and wrong going on in this area of telephone interception. Lord Mishcon said it was an

extraordinary answer that the reason this was not timely was that they were waiting for the judgment of the European Court. Was Britain again to be forced into legislation, as was quite obvious it was bound to

Was Britain to be forced into legislation because the court had found against it, or were they to adopt an amendment of this kind which would mean not being in breach of the convention? oreach of the convention?

He did not think the majority of British citizens welcomed the indignity of legislating on that basis.

Where security matters were

that no recent progress had been

made with this system and that as a result significant anomalies now exist in the fare structure.

They recommended that Caledo-nian MacBrayne should make

renewed progress towards such a

system, starting with an up to date examination of the structure of costs. I have asked the company to

The new fares system will take

some years to implement fully, but a start will be made in fixing the charges for 1984-85, which the company will be announcing shortly. The result will be a standard

fares system which should be more

The question I have had to address is how, in the light of some

significant developments since 1979, we can offer the best long term

guarantee of services to the Scottish rslands. My subsidy proposal for 1984-85 together with my substantial capital support to ships and terminals confirm the Govern-

ment's continuing commitment to

the maintenance and improvement

occed on this basis.

equitable than at present.

procedure where proceedings could be held in camera. Therefore they nced not tremble on the grounds of

publicity. The amendment followed completely the procedure laid down in the White Paper. It was purely a safeguard for people and a safeguard for Britain's reputation in the world This was an opportunity for them: all to act in accordance with their

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occupied in the House. Lord Mackay of Clashiera said regarding hearings held in camera, it was not publicity that was particularly important. It was that the person who may be the subject of an inquiry should not be informed about the nature of the information on which the warrant was based, or about the source-of that information. These matters: could involve lives being at stake.

conscience and to do their duty without regard to what seats they

The amendment simply put into statutory form what present arrangements under the White Paper. There was no suggestion that the arrangements: would be carried out in a way that was any different from now.

They were quite unable to say at this stage what criticisms, if any, the European Court would have of the present arrangements. It had been suggested that the amendment would meet any judgment the court might deliver, but he found it hard to know how that could be said with

any confidence.

The amendment was carried by 129 votes to 112 – majority against the Government, 17.

Thatcher defends search for other social security savings

PM's QUESTIONS

The economic situation has improved and in a sustainable way, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during her question

She also defended the financing of the concession on housing benefit by making economies elsewhere, saying that there would otherwise be general increase in public expenditure which, sooner or later, would call for a general increase in

Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, had entireized the method of financing the small concession by taking benefit from others who needed it.

Mr Patrick Duffy (Sheffield, Atterchille, Laht asked her: How does she reconcile the continuing assumption in last week's public expenditure White Paper of nearly three million unemployed, based on social security calculations, with the continuing restraint of public sector capital horrowing taking away defence capital".

What is the sense of depriving town halls and neglecting housing and infra-structure investment when the relevant resources including the workers, are lying

Mrs Thatcher: Because the resources would have to be taken out of the private sector, where they out of the private sector, where they could be effectively and produc-tively employed, and put into the public sector. The White Paper contained the figures on which we fought the election and received a mussive majority.

Mr Kinnock: Did she personally concessions made in housing benefit tinanced by withdrawing benefits from other groups of needy people? Mrs Thatcher: We made it clear that this increase on the figure previously announced will be financed by econoies elsewhere. That is right. Otherwise there would be a general increase in public expenditure which sooner or later would call for a general increase in navation or national insurance contributions.

Mr Kinnock: Much of the con-cession is to be financed by taking housing benefit from people who need it. The remainder is to come from cuts in other systems of benefit

to people who have demonstrated their need by qualifying.

If she needs additional revenue to pay those who need such help, why not take it from the very rich? Why is it always the case that she make is it always the case that she make the poor pay for the poor and the sick for the sick?

Mrs Thatcher: We are spending something like £3,700m on housing

benefit, which is about 80 per cent more than was spent in the lifetime of the last Labour government. He should be the last to complain. Mr John Farr (Harborough, C): Has

Mrs Thatcher seen the notable indicators of further economic improvement (Labour laughter), especially the fact that the gross domestic product in 1983 increased by the biggest amount for the past 10 years and also the greater optimism expressed by many owners of small businesses, and with those two facts which have come to the fore today, will she agree that the economic situation better? (Renewed Labour laughter). Mrs Thatcher: The economic situation has improved and has improved in a sustainable way. That

Mr Ronald Lewis (Carlisle, Lab): Retail prices increases recently published show that more than 1,400 price increases this month alone. Added to that are the rises in gas and elecricity prices fostered by this Government.

what the Opposition cannot

With her own wealth, is she conscious that the unemployed and the poor have to shop in the same market as the wealthier section of society? What will she do about it? Mrs Thatcher: Under the last Labour Government, prices rose by 120 per cent and the record of this vernment is the best for 15 years. Mr James Pawsey (Rugby and Kenilworth, C): What advice will Mrs Thatcher give the electorate at Chesterfield at the present time? (Labour laughter). Mrs Thatcher: There is no difficulty

No assurance on warships

about that: vote Conservative.

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, refused during questions in the Commons to give Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, OUP) an assurance that there would be no question of British warships being engaged in the Persian Gulf in cooperation with

Another look at Greenham

The Prime Minister promised during question time to look again at the matter of the Greenham Common women after a Conserva-tive MP had expressed disappointment that the Home Secretary had said no action would be taken to

Mr John Townend (Bridlington, C) said: There will be disappointment at the statement by the Home Secretary that no action will be taken to remove the Greenham

taxpayers that they are subsidizing them by £800 per week in social security payments. Mrs Thatcher: I am aware of the distress caused locally by the continued presence of these people. The Government has accepted that it has lo give help towards the cost. I share Mr Townend's concern and I will look at the matter again.

Kinnock EEC plan dismissed

The appeal in the New Socialist magazine by Mr Neill Kinnock Leader of the Opposition, for a new deal for Europe was dismissed by Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, during Commons questions as cloud cuckoo land.

Nir Alan Haselburst (Saffroi Walden. C) had said that Mr Kinnock's reference to the need to reject, revise or rewrite the Treaty of no retreat from the hostility towards ereat damage to Britain's interests. Mrs Thatcher: I saw what Mr Kinnock wrote. That is cloud cuckoo land. We have 10 members of the EEC, about to go up to 12. The prospect of solemnly rewriting the whole thing means that he totally rejects the EEC. It is merely a ploy to get him over the Europear

MP's complaint rejected

A suggestion that the Government was attempting to confer credibility. A suggestion that the Government was attempting to confer credibility, legitimacy and dignity on terrorist leaders was rejected by the Prime Minister.

A suggestion that the Government best growth in the economy for the last 10 years, Mr Tom King. Secretary of State for Employment, said during Commons questions on Minister. Mr Ian Lloyd (Havant, C), During

Prime Minister's questions, asked: Is it Government policy to attempt to confer credibility, legitimacy and dignity on terrorist leaders with the blood of thousands on their hands, by arranging for them to be received by the Foreign Secretary and by offers of scholarships to those they purport to represent? I refer to Mr Sam Nufoma

Sam Nufoma.

Mrs Thatcher: The Foreign
Secretary will have heard that. Mr
Lloyd knows full well that Government policy towards terror-ism is that they are totally and

Parliament Today

Commons (2.30): Debates the young unemployed and on care of the elderly. Lords (2.30): Debate

year, and more than a threefold increase since 1978-79, I hope this will be recognised as an excellent deal for the users of these services and for the island communities they

support.

I am also able to announce today
that I have completed my review of
the future system of shipping
subsidies and have concluded that a

change to a road equivalent tariff (RET)-based system of subsidy

hould not be pursued.
I have also taken into account

several other developments since

1979. First, it has become clear that

a period of major new capital investment lies ahead in new ships

and in the associated terminals for both Caledonian MacBrayne,

services and those serving Orkney and Shetland. There is therefore

substantially more public expendi-ture to be committed on our

shipping services than is indicated

by the annual revenue grants alone.

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ance to the Monopolies and Mergers

Higher subsidy for island shipping

Shipping services to the Scottish Snipping services to the Scottish islands are to get subsidies of £13,350,000 in 1984-85, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, announced in a statement to the Commons. This was an increase of 9.9 per cent over estimated expenditure on services in

Mr Younger said: I propose to give nian MacBrayne and of £900,000 to the Orkney Islands Shipping Company. These grants will limit the need in both cases for the companies to increase their fares to approximately 5 per cent overall for

offered to P & O and to the various oulk shipping companies with whom I have undertakings, to allow them to continue to rebate the fares and charges on their services. The rebates are estimated to cost £3,65m in the case of P&O and £1.6m in the case of the bulk shippers. In total, Government revenue support in 1984-85 will amount to

some £13.35m, an increase of 9.9 per cent over the current financial

aregetting

new jobs

restraint on public spending was leading to a much lower inflation rate then people had expected, much lower interest rates than many forecasters had indicated, and to the

unemployment. More people were getting new jobs, he added.

Mr King, amid Conservative cheers, added: For the first time there is a

real increase in the numbers at work, which shows that at last we see some real prospects of making

an impact on the serious problem of

Mr Stanley Crowther (Rotherham

Lab) had asked what effect Mr King expected the White Paper on public

expenditure to have on the unemployment figures.

It is obvious (he said) that Government plans for virtually no

increase in capital spending will greatly reduce the spending of local authorities in the next three years

Earlier, Mr King said that on January 12 there were 3,199,678 unemployed claimants in the United Kingdom, of which 1,188,039 had been out of work for

and put more people on the dole.

unemployment.

EMPLOYMENT

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab): Those figures, of which every member of the Cabinet should feel ashamed, illustrate the immense More people human misery caused by continued mass unemployment.
Many in their forties and onwards

find it increasingly difficult even to be considered for a job and face the prospect of 10 or 15 years on the dole before becoming pensioners. Is this the sort of future the Tories promised in 1979 and 1983?

Mr King said all MPs were aware of the human tragedy contained in the figures. Most also recognized. shared by all western countries, was not best met by sloganizing but by determination to make Britain competitive again and to get improved smooth rate It has been announced today (he said) that the 1983 growth rate was

the fastest in the last decade. Sir Dudley Smith (Warwick and Learnington, C): The improvement in the economy is expected in both quarters. This underlines the good sense of the Governmemt's policies. Mr King: We have to become competitive to give us a better chance to improve our growth rate.

For the third quarter of last year, for the first time for four years, there

was an increase in the numbers in employment. That is an important step to ensuring more jobs for all Mrs Angela Rumbold (Mitcham and Morden, Cr. How many people

each day do get a job? Mr King: It is significant that seven million people got new jobs last year, a figure not often appreciated. There is much greater turnover and new jobs in the service sector in the Mr John Smith, chief Opposition

spokesman on employment, said well over three million were out of work and that the Treasury had told Government that there would not be any change in 1984. Who does Mr King think (he

asked) is responsible for this terrible situation? The Government? If not after nearly five years of Tory policies, who is to blame? Mr King replied among Labour interruptions: It would be difficult to exonerate the Opposition from



Rumbold: How many get a job each day?

plame. Lack of competitiveness of British industry since the war is to blame. Had we held the same share of our markets of ten years ago there would be 1,500,000 more at work. He did not expect the figure to stay stubbornly above three million. Some forecasters suggested that during the year there might be a

Fewest disputes

10 years

Some 3.6 million working days were lost through stopages due to industrial disputes in the year ending December 31, 1983, the lowest annual total since 1967 apart Minister of State for Employment, said during Commons questions. These were provisional figures, he told MPs.

Mr David Knex (Staffordshire, Moorlands, C): That is a vindi-cation of the Government's step by reform. Does the Government intend to proceed cautiously in this sphere?

Mr Gammer: He is right. The Government's arguments are serious, sensible and well founded: those of the Opposition are conservative and reactionary.

Mr John Evans, an Opposition spokesman on employment: Most of the days lost in industrial disputes in the period mentioned were unofficial and settled withing two or three days by the intervention of full-time trade union officers.

There is a fear that the Trade Union Bill before the House will prevent trade union officers inter-vening in unofficial strikes amd make things worse. Mr Gummer. The figures do not exist that would prove or disprove that But there is no widespread fear

of that kind. It is a fear invented by the Opposition and pressed hard.

Scotland is part of Britain A

TOURISM

Scotland had to be vigorously promoted overseas, Mr MacKay, Under Secretary of state for Scotland, said in the Commons the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Scotland) Bill which extends the powers of the Scottish Tourist Board.

He said that to avoid duplication between the STB and British Tourist Authority, the STB would be able to promote Scotland overseas only with the consent of the Secretary of State who, before giving or withholding consent, would consult the BTA. This did not represent a BTA veto. It would ensure that the STB's overseasactivities complemented promotions

Some MPs wished to break Britain apart in the tourist industry, just as they wished to do in other industries and politically. This policy in tourism (he said) would be damaging and costly.

Mr James Craigen, an Opposition spokesman on Scotland, said he wanted to be sure that the BTA was not seeking to ease out of the commitment to overseas profricing on Scotland's behalf. that the BTA chairman should also be the chairman of the English Tourist Board. This was bad for Britain and not good for England.

What was expected of the STB was that more people throughout the world would be induced to visit Scotland and be facilitated to do so by direct entry and not in the main by the over-concested, labyrinthine corridors of Heathrow airport.

The Bill was read a second time and later passed its remaining

Bread strike threatened

The proposed closure of Scott's bakery in Bootle was likely to cause a national bread strike. Mr Allan Roberts (Bootle, Lab) warned the Commons when he unsuccessfully sought an emergency debate on the

Mr Roberts said the Bakers' Union was balloting its members on the closure which would result in the loss of 700 jobs.

On Jaunary 16 (he said) I raised the issue of a dispute at Scotts in this House which I then predicted would be used by the management -Allied Bakeries - as an excuse to close the factory.

This has now happened. Ninety-day redundancy notices were served.

at the end of last week.

V&A crumbling away as time erodes its meagre resources

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

Kensington facade of the Victoria and Albert Museum another winter is taking its toll.

At least one acre of the complex's 12-acre roof needs renewing, the third radiator to explode this winter has sent boiling water 30ft up the entrance wall and dry rot is cating its way into the fabric. According of one museum oficial the building "has simply outlived its useful life".

The V & A dreads the passing of the time which it exists to record. Last year the museum's inadequate drainage system became so overloaded that every manhole in the building lifted. Scarcely a day goes by without the antiquated electrical system fusing, most recently in the library.

It is all a far cry from the technocratic surroundings of Nato. and Lord Carrington, who will remain the V&A's chairman when he takes over as Nato secretary-general in Brussels, admits that the condition of one of Britain's most important museums shocked him.

The reason for its plight, he feels, is years of persistent under-funding. The V&A, unlike most museums, has traditionally been funded directly by government, without a board of trustees to fight for it.

Behind the genteel South From April 1, with the former this point: "The trustees would Foreign Secretary in the chair, have to look at it, but the sine

The trustees selected, at Lord Carrington's instigation, carry a strong pro-business lobby. Among them are Lord Barnett, the former Chief Secretary to the Treasury, Sir Terence Conran and Mr Andrew Knight, the editor of The Economist. "It struck me that we really

needed as trustees people who really knew about finance. We wanted people who cared about the arts but could help us on the financial side as well. The legacy of it having been run by the Government is that

it is very badly under-funded. I think it is disgraceful that the museum has to shut on Fridays. I've seen people outside queuing to get in". Lord Carrington V&A's problems all come down to one thing money. It is short of £1m in the

present financial year to main-

tain its crumbling building. To

reopen on Fridays would cost a

continue to widen the main

entrance to make it more

further £250,000. A scheme to

inviting is being postponed because it has run out of funds. Will it then start to charge for admission, as the National Maritime Museum intends to do? Lord Carrington hedged on

aua non at the moment is that

Government is about to rule admission fees will remain with the museum authorities, there is fees and extra income from any other source may eventually be used as an excuse to cut the present level of museum grants. One important source of

Even if, as seems likely, the

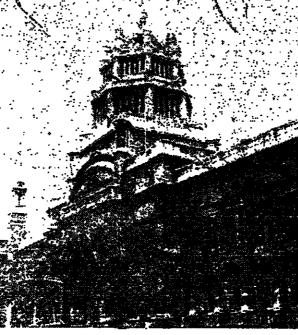
income ought to be industry, but the museum has had to accept that it will find it difficult to compete for private sponsorship with the performing arts. "It is one thing to pay something towards a perform-ance of Andrea Chenier at

at the V&A. The glamour somehow isn't there", Lord Carrington said. Whatever the future holds, the V&A trustees have come to the conclusion that they should not, as the Government has suggested, take on the running of Kenwood House in Hampstend when the Greater London Council, which runs it at

Covent Garden, it is another to

help out with £2m for the drains

the moment, is abolished. "I think we already have





Underfunded: The Victoria and Albert Museum, completed in 1909, and its chairman, Lord Carrington, who hopes to modernize it with sponsorship from industry.

enough on our hands. If the which have featured promitrustees of Kenwood said they wanted us to run it and there was no alternative, that might be a different matter."

Lord Carrington hopes that industry will enable the V&A to modernize its galleries, in return for carrying the sponsor's name on the result. ame on the result.

He is adamant that Sir Roy form the V&A."

nently since the 1960s. "We will jolly well have to raise the money for those. Given the money the museum has had, I think Roy Strong and his staff have done pretty well.

But no one is more aware than

Roy Strong that given a bit

Strong the museum's director, which attracts about 1,800,000 visitors recent pronouncement that each year, will receive financial restraints would kill £11.379m in government large-scale exhibitions grants, a sum exceeded only by

the British Museum with £12.865m. The difference between a modern museum and one which limps along with its present infirmities is, in the context of an arts budget of more than £100m, minute.

"Of course we're talking about peanuts. But the answer of the Treasury to that, as know, is that everything is always peanuts until you add it up. My job now is to tell them our peanuts are more important. Which, of course, they are Lord Carrington said.

Aire Valley route to be revived

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

One of the most fiercely contested trunk road schemes of the past decade, through the Aire Valley in West Yorkshire. s to be revived because of doubts that have arisen over the alternative scheme put forward the inquiry inspector in by 1h 1980. Thirty protesters

arrested when the original scheme, which was to run through Shipley Glen, a wellknown beauty spot, and the Victorian model village of Saltaire, first came before an inquiry in the mid-1970s. At a second inquiry in 1980, the scheme was rejected. The inspector described the Department of Transport's proposal as an "environmental disaster of such magnitude that it can never be forgiven"

The Aire Valley Preservation Society yesterday accused the department of trying to reverse its 1980 decision and revive the original scheme.

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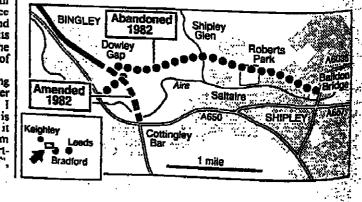
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A spokesman at the depeatment admitted that difficulties had arisen over the alternative scheme. An exhibition would shortly be mounted, he said, at which the public would be invited to assess a number of options. While these did not include the original scheme in full, they might include parts of

The Aire Valley route links the A650 from Keighley to Bradford and is used by heavy traffic taking a short cut from the M6 in the Lake District to the MI at Leeds.



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By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Corresponden

Passports which can be read by computers are seen as one of the threats to individual freedom that the National Council for Civil Liberties aims to tackle up to the year 2000.

Mr Larry Gostin, general secretary of the council, which today celebrates its Fiftieth anniversary, said yesterday that the Government had accepted recommendations that the new

system should be introduced. The international Aviation Commission had recommended their use and the EEC had backed them as a good idea, he

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The computer would be able to retrieve information on their holders from immigration, the police and security files. But the citizen would have no idea what the information was or whether it was revelant, accurate or current.

The Data Protection Bill, now before Parliament, would give no protection to individuals subject to such scrunity. Mr Gostin forecast that such a system would lead to citicism similar to that expressed about the introduction of plastic national insurance cards.

The council is also concerned about a long-term threat to individuals' and groups' night of people from across the to assemble, express opinions political and social spectrum. conviction will be drafte and to disseminate information. The campaign would include the council and published.

Boys 'enjoy'

short,

sharp shock

By Peter Evans

Home Affairs Correspondent

introduced at detention centres

have become more shocking for

prison officers than the boys

they are supposed to reform.
The first official report on

Send, near Woking, Surrey,

since the tougher regime began

says that once boys learn basic movements, drill becomes "an

But supervision of drill

parades was "mentioned to us"

as not being popular with some

staff: Sir James Hennessy, HM

Chief Inspector of Prisons, says

in his report on the centre,

When the Home Office

introduced a drill manual, those

staff at Send who had earlier in

life learnt how to march, about-

turn and salute by numbers,

instruction or any formal in-

Since drill, physical training

and inspections are supposed to

help to make people fighting fit,

it is perhaps not surprising that

morale among the young

offenders was assessed by

But staff morale has slipped

since the new regime was

introduced "especially, perhaps.

because of the return of some

trainess for a second, or even a

third sentence". That, the report

says, undermined to some

extent the initial belief in its

Although there is no mention

of built like polishing boot-

studs, part of recruit training in

some national service units, the

But they allow little flexibility

for staff to respond to individ-

ual boys needs and that

reduced job satisfaction, the

report says. Nevertheless, it finds that staff morale is

The Prison Department has

The report concluded "over-

the trainees with tact, hu-

manity and understanding, while commanding a healthy

respect from them".

that remedial action be taken.

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inspectors to be very high.

enjoyable activity".

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service drill training.

The short, sharp shocks

the security and secrecy surrounding nuclear power and

weaponry, Other priorities to be announced by the council today as part of its Liberty Campaign, are to reverse the drift into a law and order society", and to fight for protection from arbitrary arrest and unnecessary detention.

Among the measures now before Parliament concerning the council are the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill; the Data Protection Bill: the Prevention of Terrorism Bill, originally introduced as an emergency measure; and the Telecommunications which allows wire-tapping on the Home Secretary's warrant, Mr Gostin says.

Another of its priorities concerns the trade unions.

There has been a pattern of attacks on the trade union movement, including the ban at GCHQ, the threat of lie detectors, and political vetting, which will require renewed defence of the legal rights of trades unions."

Mr Gostin said that the NCCL's liberty campaign would bring together a broad alliance

in the public interest, posed by the formation of an all-party parliamentary group.

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About 1,000 people had signed the NCCL Charter of Civil Rights and Liberties on which the campaign is based. They include 69 MPs and MEPs from all political parties, Mr Neil Kinnock, Mr David Steele and Dr David Owen, Lord Lord Elwyn-Jones and Lord Gardiner have also signed it.

Action by the council will include monitoring and supporting research into the issue of search warrants and assisting victims of unlawful searches 10 obtain compensation and ensure the destruction of records on them.

The council will represent those who have made false confessions and monitor procedures set out in the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill as implemented at police stations. It will also support a private member's Bill to reduce the length of remand in custody to that allowed by the Scottish system: 40 days for summary offences and 110 days for indictable offences.

A Bill to provide for statutory compensation for wrongful conviction will be drafted by

A dying source of stamps and solace

The Post Office has decided that about a thousand sub-post offices must close as part of a cost-effective exercise, Patricia Clough reports.

It would be difficult for the people in the simple, greywashed terrace bouses around Lindhurst Road in Worthing, West Sussex, to imagine life without Mr Wyn Lloyd behind the counter in the little subpost office.

Officially he is the dispenser of their modest pensions and unemployment pay, the source of their stamps and dachshunds' licences, and the person who takes in their parcels and savings. Unofficially he asks after their health it they have not been in for a bit, lends a sympathetic ear for the lonely. and is the general adviser on bureaucratic affairs to the

ound some movements diffi-ult to execute.

About half the staff had not may not be sitting much longer found some movements diffiprevious experience of drill behind the banks of greeting the bags of coins at his feet and the rubber stamps at his elbow.

Post Office rules state that there should not be less than a mile between two post offices and this will be applied more strictly in future. Mr Lloyd's isone of three within a mile and the nearest is a main post office. Mr Lloyd says that it is not just a post office but a kind of service to the local community.

Some old people have no-one but the milkman and myself to talk to all week. It is someone to ask them how they are, to chat away 10, 10 give advice about forms and things they do not understand.

Mr Lloyd had always wanted to be a sub-postmaster from the day he saw a former schoolmate working at a counter. After 17 years it is still the only job he wants to do. However, he has

First the Post Office "stole our business" by collecting mail directly from the local hospital and offices. Instead of four or five bags of mail piled up in the office every evening there are now only one or two - and some £900 less coming in each year as

Then the Post Office arranged for people to draw benefits monthly or by cheque and the number of pensions "our bread and butter" - fell by a third. But the overheads stay the same. "It is our wages that keep coming down", he says.

Mr Lloyd is in favour of the Post Office's efforts to get more business. He feels the gas, electricity and water authorities a the local collincii (them more business.

On March 4 about 420 representatives of the sub-postnasters will hold a conference to discuss whether to fight the closure plan or simply fight for adequate compensation for those affected.

Meanwhile, four customers have already offered to start up a petition for Mr Lloyd;

Mr Lloyd refuses to worry. haven't thought what I would do. I could not survive on:just selling stationery, the income is negligible, and there is so much unemployment here. I really don't know what I would do.'



Threatened species: Mr Wyn Lloyd faces the prospect of closure with dismay. (Photograph: Brian Harris).

effect and the magic of Milton Keynes. The fastest growing town is Poole in Dorset, which

town's population grew by hearly 20 per cent during the 1970s. Poole has a population of 123,000 and could, within a decline.

huge advertising budget. It spends £17,500 a year on self-

Nor has Poole grown, as with some south coast towns, because of an influx of elderly people retiring to the sun and the sea. "No. it's no costa geriatrica". Mr Ian Andrews, the council's chief executive. says. About 19 per cent of Poole's inhabitants are over the age of 65, against a national figure of 15 per cent. In comparison. Boarnemouth has a figure of 26 per cent, and in resorts such as Bexhill pen-

industry and commerce moved into the seaside town: liked what they found (yachts, the Dorset hinterland of Thomas Hardy, a compliant labour force) and stayed. The roll-call of the town's employers sounds recession proof: Barclays International, Plessey telecommunications and weapons systems, and Ryvita biscuits, Frizell's

Insurance. The old port itself bas enjoyed a renaissance; Poole, which boasts one of the largest natural harbours in the world, is rated in the top dozen British ports, compared with sixty-eighth 14 years ago. A freight line runs four daily sailings to Cherbourg, Poole's twin town, which locals note is closer than

London.

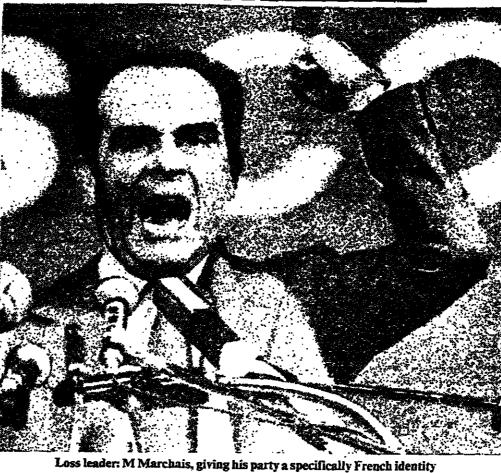
become a mere retirement centre. The Conservative comcil, however, has encouraged manufacturing industry through the provision of factory sites and the building of mainly private housing suitable for

balanced community," Mr Austen Layard, Tory chairman of the policy committee, says.

over. Finance permitting, the council wants to provide the infrastructure for a large new industrial estate and see a 500acre site at Canford Heath developed for housing. "Firms are still knocking at our door, wanting to come," Mr Andrews

"We have kept a low profile and not gove in for advertising our charms because we simply have not enough sites to satisfy

Marchais and his reluctant converts



Drift back to Moscow after electoral humiliation

In the third of four articles on the decline of Eurocommunism, Edward Mortimer examines the fluctuating fortunes of the French Communist Party.

The conversion of the French Communist Party (PCF) to Eurocommunism was sudden spectacular and never wholly convincing. Until the autumn of 1975, the party had supported Soviet efforts to convene a conference of European Communist parties which would reaffirm the essential unity of the international Communist movement, and had expressed solidarity with the Portuguese party, which the Italian and Spanish Communists were criticizing for its the armed forces.

with the Italians. The two alliance broke up in 1977 (after parties published a joint state- it had brought the PCF the ment stressing a general "congains it was looking for in local cordance of solutions" for government). M Marchais insituations with a "common sisted that this did not mean character" in highly developed any abandonment of Eurocomcapitalist countries. The PCF munism. joined the "autonomists" who opposed the idea of a unified world communist strategy, and in January, 1976, its leader, M Georges Marchais, announced that his party would drop the "dictatorship of the term proletariat".

He also made it clear that French Communists disagreed radically with the Soviet Union about the nature of socialist democracy". These positions were ratified by a party congress the next month, while Marchais staved away from the congress of the Soviet party - an unprecedented gesture of disrespect. When the conference of European Communist parties finally met in June, 1976. M Marchais criticized the Soviet party to its face, and said he would not attend any further gatherings of this sort.

From Charles Harrison

that unnamed foreign powers

MPs demanded that the "trai-

family which maintained a

safari camp in Kenya; how he travelled frequently between

kenya and London and how he

was issued with several diplo-

Evidence has also been given

that he asked the immigration authorities on several occasions

to issue visas for South Africans

(normally barred from Kenya)

Witnesses have included the

former Commissioner of Police,

he or Mr Nionjo were linked

tor" be named.

matic passports.

to visit his country.

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saw these moves as intended to facilitate cooperation between Communists and Socialists in France in preparation for the 1978 general election which, it was thought might bring a leftwing government to power. With hindsight, they can more plausibly be seen as an attempt to compete more effectively disregard of election results and with the Socialists, who had attempt to gain power through recently overtaken the PCF in by-elections and opinion polls, Then, in November, 1975, to the latter's acute dismay. the PCF suddenly aligned itself. When the Communist-Socialist

At the time, most observers

On paper, this remains true even if, in France as elsewhere, the word "Eurocommunism" interview with The Times last month. M Peirre Juquin, the leading intellectual in party's bureau politique, declared that the party had broken completely with the past - "rejected the dictatorship of the proletariat, rejected the Soviet model, rejected Marxism-Leninism, rejected proletarian internationalism".

Yet undoubtedly since 1977, and especially since 1979, its criticisms of the Soviet Union have been milder and less frequent than they were in the mid-1970s and, against the strongly anticommunist climate now prevailing in Frace, the PCF can often be heard leaping

Kenya judges examine

ex-minister's conduct

Afghanistan and (being by then under the constraint of Cabinet solidarity) gave only grudging support to the French Socialistled Government:s criticisms of martial law in Poland.

Brezhnev's policies (reservations which it is also displaying for the new party leader, Mr Konstantin Chernenko, who is believed to be unenthusiastic about the PCF's participation in France's Socialist Government).

But the PCF's Eurocommunism was never all that "Euro". anyway, in the sense that it did not mean convergence on a common European position. Rather it took the form of an attempt to reinforce the party's specifically French identity and that, on many issues, meant taking positions opposite to those of its Italian and Spanish counterparts. In particular, the PCF is opposed to any supranational development of the European Community, and strongly opposed also to Spanish membership of it. As one would-be French Eurocommunist (Professor Jean Elleinstein) has pointed out, "gallo-commu-nism" would be a better word to describe this attitude.

As is well known, the PCF lost badly in the 1981 elections. and had to accept a small share of power as a favour from its hated Socialist rivals. There is so far no convincing sign of a recovery, as the party now has to share the blame for the leftwing Government's short-comings. Whether it would have done better with less Eurocommunism. or more. remains a very open question hotly debated, one suspects, behind the closed doors of the party leadership.

Tomorrow: Greece

Murderer in court over virus threat

From Tony Duboudin

A man serving a life sentence in Townsville's Stuart Jail for murder was yesterday charged with extortion over the threat made last month to spread foot and mouth disease in Queen-Peter Vivian Wardrop, aged

37, appeared before Townsville magistrates in north Queensland. He faced four charges, all relating to sending letters containing threats to cause detriment, particularly economic detriment, to the livestock industry in Queensland by releasing foot and mouth virus if the Oueensland State Government did not comply with his demands for prison reform".

The letters, the charges allege, threatened the release of the virus if the state did not comply with the demands within 12 weeks from the date of mailing. Wardrop, who represented himself was not asked to plead and was remanded until March

to Moscow's defence. It backed Moscow over the invasion of

This toning down of criticism held true despite the PCF's reservations about President

weck.

Pravda reaffirms Chernenko's devotion to peace

Mr Chemenko's desire for improved relations with the United States and said a return détente would have a positive effect on the entire international situation."

A front-page editorial said that under Mr Chernenko Russia would be "profoundly committed to peace". It made no mention of Soviet pre-conditions for a return to the Geneva arms talks. At the same time, Pranda said, Moscow had to strengthen its defences in the face of "aggressive imperialist Nato Forces", a line taken even more strongly yesterday by Marshal Viktor Kulikov, the Warsaw Pact Commander in

Writing in Red Star. the armed forces paper. Marshal Kulikov said Moscow had to take a clear and explicit stand against reckless adventurist actions by the aggressive forces of imperialism adding that this had been most forcefully reaffirmed at the Central Committee meeting which elected Mr Chernenko party leader 10 days ago.

Diplomats said a struggle between Kremlin doves and hawks had emerged since President Andropov died, with each side using Soviet jargon to emphasize either the dangers of imperialism or the need for rapprochement with Washington. Often there were elements of both positions in the same speech, diplomats noted.

Mr Chernenko himself spoke of a return to peaceful coexistence as well as the need for strong defences against hot-headed military adventurists when he appeared on Red Square. He seemed to lay stress on detente however - the policy associated with Mr Brezhnev. his mentor - an impression strengthened when he told Vice President Bush he wanted a more constructive relationship with America.

Pravda said yesterday the deployment of cruise and Pershing missiles in Europe last autumn had complicated the situation. But it avoided recrimination and did not repeat Mr Andropov's demand for Nato to withdraw the missiles before Moscow would consider returning to Geneva. Diplomats said the omission appeared to suggest that Mr Chernenko was expected to define his position in a speech on the eve of the Supreme Soviet elections next

Rossiya vesterday by the deputy new Soviet willingness to favoured "honest, equitable and ition had not changed. Russia mutually advantageous cooper-ation with the United States. dialogue and fair talks".

Pravda vesterday signalled Mr. Gennady Shishkin welcomed President Reagan's call for dialogue but said good intentions had to be substantiated by concrete deeds, includ-ing a display of willingness to give up the deployment of medium-range missiles on the very doorstep of the Soviet phrase could refer either to missile withdrawals or to a freeze at present deployment

levels. Mr Shishkin said Mrs Thatcher - described as Washington's firmest supporter - had changed her views on relations with Moscow, but it would be premature to assume that the West was taking a sensible and realistic approach.

The Soviet press has paid unusual homage to the Brezh-nev era - including détente over the past few days, emphasizing the policies laid down by the 26th party congress three years ago rather than the Andropov era, Pravda yesterday carried a long back page article devoted to Mr Aleksei Kosygin. Mr Brezhnev's pariner and prime minister. It marked the eightieth anniversary of Mr Kosygin's birth, not hitherto a major event in the Soviet

calendar. Senator William Cohen of Maine left Moscow this week after talks with officials saying he sensed a new willingness to discuss arms control. Mr Cohen, a Republican, supports Mr Reagan's "build down" proposal on strategic missiles under which the superpowers would dismantle two warheads for every new one deployed.

More hardline Soviet speeches vesterday included an attack on "imperialist intelligence services" by General Viktor Chebrikov, head of the KGB. an address to electors at Sukhumi in Georgia, published in Pravda General Chebrikov said the KGB had unmasked scores of agents in recent years In another attack on the West

about Russia's new readiness to discuss nuclear weapons in Europe were devoid of meaning. Tass attacked Mr Richard Burl, US Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, for indicating that Nato deployments would continue, and unlike Pravda Tass specifically referred to Mr Andropov's demand that Nato should show readiness to return to the keeping his options open. He is situation which existed prior to the deployment of cruise and Pershing 2 Tass said the Western media

were spreading rumours in-An article in Sovietskaya vented by themselves about a negotiate, but the Soviet nos-

Russians scorn British chemical war offer

From Alan McGregor, Geneva

pliance with a treaty banning chemical weapons proved il-lusory yesterday when Mr lktor Issraelyan, the Soviet delegate described them as in the category of "maximalist unrealistic demands". "Even with a microscope".

he told the 40-nation disarmament conference. "one would not be able to discover in that (British) document any signs of readiness for compromise". He said the procedures set out in

Hopes that the Soviet Union the proposals for inspection by would agree to Britain's new challenge were simply a rep-proposals for verifying comtough demands already many times rejected".

> While the Soviet Union accepted the principle of challenge inspection, it was adamant that in pratice this could be on a voluntary basis only, with the challenged state having the right to refuse the Western concept of "intrusive" inspection being mandatory - with continued refusal being an issue for the UN Security Council.

Barracks and prison hit in Uganda rebel raid From Our Correspondent, Nairobi

Army (NRA), which is led by a former Ugandan Defence Minister, Mr Yoweri Museveni, has claimed responsibility for guerrilla attacks on the town of Masindi. 140 miles north of Kampala. The Ugandan Defence Minis-

try announced late on Monday that dissident elements had attacked the army and police barracks and the prison in Masindi, but had been repulsed. The Ministry gave no details of casualties.

An anonymous NRA spokesman vesterday said 178 soldiers. 27 police and 18 prison warders were killed, as well as five NRA guerrillas. The attackers stole large quantities of arms and ammunition, he said.
Road blocks were operating

National Resistance round Kampala vesterday and no buses from Masindi arrived there. There were rumours in the capital that some soldiers had joined the guerrilla attack. NRA guerrillas have been

operating for nearly three years in areas between Masindi and Kampala. But in the past year they have been driven back by the Ugandan Army, and Ugandan leaders had said the guerrillas were no longer a Significantly, however, the

Defence Ministry announce-ment said the Masindi attacks were designed to show that the dissidents had the capability to mount an offensive. Masindi has a large army barracks and this is the first time the NRA is known to have carried out an

African drought victims starve From Stephen Taylor, Harare

More than 40 people a week are dying of starvation in northcastern Zimbabwe, mostly Mozambique peasants who had trekked across the border to escape the southern Africa drought

With the impact being felt with growing severity in Zimbabwe, representatives of Oxfam, the Save the Children Fund and other organizations are due here today to meet medical officials.

An estimated 20,000 Mozambique drought refugees are in remote north-eastern Zimbabwe, where the maize crop has failed for a second successive year. Except for a few who have got work, they depend on local peasants.

Until recently Zimbabwe had by and large escaped the suffering inflicted by the drought on Mozambique, where between 40,000 and 200,000 people died in the second half of ast year.

of \$10.9m (£7m) emergency food aid, prospects are grim. In reports from the district of

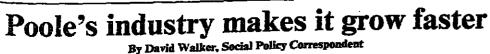
squatter camp every day, local people,

Women were arriving at the local hospital with dead children. Mr Kanyandura Kanyau.

district administrator of Rushinga, said the death rate had doubled in the past three weeks. Local headmasters have told

However, Zimbabweans are officials that their pupils face now also dying of malnutrition. Starvation. One said: "spite of a US pledge last week going to lose a good number going to lose a good number before the year ends. Mr Kanyau said the Govern-

ment had made no provision Rushinga, the Ziana news for the influx of Mozambicans agency quoted officials as saying and what aid they were that between five and seven receiving came out of the Mozambicans were dying at a inadequate rations provided for



Forget the Peterborough was awarded its charter in 1248.

According to updated figures based on the 1981 census, the decade, overtake neighbouring Bournemouth, a resort in

Poole's growth is not due to a

sioners form the majority.

Poole has grown because

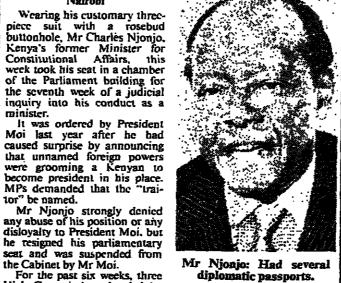
Mr Andrews says that if natural forces had prevailed, Pools would have gone the way of other south coast towns and

"We have always wanted a

Poole's growth spurt is not Mr Ben Gethi, who was retired after an abortive coup attempt in 1982. Making his first public appearance since then, he denied suggestions that either with the unsuccessful mercenary attemp to overthrow the

> 1981. Evidence is led by the counsel for the commission, Mr Lee Muthoga and witnesses are.

Seychelles Government



Mr Njonjo: Had several diplomatic passports.

High Court judges, headed by Mr Justice Cecil Miller, have cross-examined by Mr Njonjo's counsel, Mr William Deverill, a been hearing evidence from a succession of witnesses who have told how Mr Njonjo was friendly with a rich Indonesian Nairobi lawyer, who has asked unsuccessfully for an indication of what kind of evidence is to be introduced. He said he finds it hard to conduct Mr Njonjo's case without such information. It is not known how long the

inquiry will continue. It sits daily from Tuesday to Friday. adjourning each day about 1pm. It attracts a steady audience and each day's proceedings are reported verbation in the local

Mr Njonjo himself is closely searched before entering the chamber, as are counsel and spectators. So far, a succession of police, customs, immigration and airline officials have given evi-dence. One said that Mr Njonjo was not charged for his excess baggage when flying by Kenya Airways. Other evidence has suggested that he had more than one passport in use at a time, and that there were no immigration stamps to mark some of his journeys abroad.

No longer is one likely to be

inside the Foreign Office. The

Saudi Arabia has recently

Only 4 per cent of the

under his control.

East, is lending importance to the arrival here today of Prince Abdullah bin Abdul Aziz al Saud, crown prince of Saudi Arabia and the second most powerful figure in that Guli

He comes for a three-day official visit at a time when thrown down the steps by President Reagan's failure to mentioning Death of a Princess make a stand over Israeli settlements on the West Bank two governments, for the time and now the intensive shelling being anyway, see eye to eye on by American warships of the a number of issues - including hills around Beirut, have made oil pricing.
King Fahd anxious to distance What passes for a recession in himself from Washington.

Three Cabinet ministers, Sir forced Fahd to draw on his enfirey Howe. Mr Michael country's \$100,000m Geoffrey Howe, Mr Michael country's Heseltine and Mr Norman (£69,444m) Tebbit, have been to Riyadh government spending has been within the last month. Prince adjusted accordingly and the Abdullah, younger brother (by Saudi policy of investing three years) of King Fahd, has national wealth inside the chosen Britain for his first visit country instead of abroad, has outside the Arab world since helpd to ensure that the becoming Crown Prince and discontented remain in a Deputy Prime Minister two minority.

This is being seen in White-population are Shia Muslims, hall as something of a fillip for and Islamic fundamentalists Britain's Middle East policies, could hardly accuse tectotal particularly given Saudi Riyadh, guardian of the holy Arabia's influential role in the places, of turning its back on the three issues - Lebanon, the Koran. Arab-Israeli dispute and the Several years ago Prince Gulf War - which are dividing Abdullah felt obliged to pledge

EEC to

widen scope

of defence

The EEC must widen its

disarmament if it is ever to be

stable. Dr David Owen, leader of the Social Democratic Party,

said it had long been clear that

NATO was insufficient by itself and needed the underpinning of

the European Community.

pean security.

The former Foreign Secretary

The need was for a new

political cement to hold the Community together. "If you go

In his view it was necessary

stop the unbalanced trade in

European defence inhibitions

about the nature of the Ameri-

can nuclear guarantee had led to

ambivalent and often contradic-

tory feelings about American

Nato's reliance on nuclear

weapons continue if nothing

were done to reverse the pattern

of European defence spending

"We must generate a new

dynamic and set, it in the

context of Europe's political development." he said. Only by involving defence subjects along wint trade would the

Community carry enough

weight to make its voice heard

Dr Owen took a swipe at Mr

Neil Kinnock's recent conver-

sion to the idea of a new

conference to plan a rebuilt EEC. "Abandoning the open commitment to withdraw from

the Community they now say-

start again. When the inevitable

cracks appear in any new building they cry 'pull it down'. "The real challenge is to

make the existing structure

work, not be papering over the

cracks, but by shoring up the foundations and removing

some of the superstructure."

properly in the outside world.

over the next five years.

nuclear policy.

said in Brussels last night.

From Ian Murray, Brussels

Unease in Riyadh over the Middle East and much of his loyalty to his brothers, King American policy in Lebanon the world outside.

The Crown Prince is 60 this Prince Fahd - after Western year and was last here in 1973 press reports had referred to family feuding over the sucwhen, as commander of the Saudi National Guard, he was a cession. But no real evidence guest of Lord Carrington, then Defence Secretary, The Defence Secretary, The National Guard still comes

More menacing in Saudi eyes is the spectre of a powerful revolutionary Iran, able and willing to upset the delicate power balance in the Gulf.

The Anglo-Saudi relationship is not without its black spots, however. Ministers will be under pressure to raise with the Crown Prince a number of case of Mr Keith Carmichael whose local business collapsed with alleged debts of £1m three years ago and who has been lying injured in a crowded Saudi jail ever since.

With alleged debts of £1m three which might be able to safe-years ago and who has been guard the interests of the population.

The Israeli leader ruled out

A Foreign Official said last night that a report on the collapse of Mr Carmichael's business had recently been passed by Saudi authorities to the south of Lebanon, the governor of Riyadh who As to the UN was reviewing it.
Mr Carmichael's plight was

raised by Sir Geoffrey Howe when he was in Riyadh last month, since then the British Embassy had kept in close touch with developments. It is hoped that the governor's review will lead to an early

Owen tells | Poles appeal against | priest's transfer

From Our Correspondent, Warsaw

yesterdayu continued their gation to accept the change "in protest against a decision by Cardinal Jozef Glemp to trans
Cardinal Glemp has said the fer a popular pro-Solidarity priest, the Rev Mieczyslaw priest, the Rev Mieczyslaw Nowak, to a remote rural parish.

A delegation was sent to ciszek Macharski, Poland's senior church leader in the absence of Cardinal Glemp. now on a tour of Brazil and Argentina. Fathjer Nowak's fiery sermons attacked the regime have angered the Polish

on just talking about butter and wine you will not catch the public imagination." He said Twelve parishioners were staing a hunger strike, drinking only tea and water, in a back that the Community was based on too narrow a canvas, divorced from the broader and room of the modernistic St political imperatives of Euro-Joseph's church near the Ursus tractor factory, a Solidarity stronghold. Dozens of others to extend the competence of the are maintaining a round-the-EEC to cover disarmament and clock vigil in support of the security. It was essential for strikers and collecting signadefence procurement to be workd out in common and to

arms from the United States to Cardinal Glemp, but are unlikely to produce results. Bishop Kazimierz Romaniuk, an aide to the primate, told the parishioners that there were no legal rounds on which to change display of defiance by usually

Parishioners in the Warsaw on Saturday heckled a Warsaw working class suburb of Ursus dean who called on the congre-

priest's removal was not a political but actually represented a promotion since Father Nowak would be senior pastor in the countryside parish Cracow to appeal for the priest's of Leki Koscielne, a collection reinstatement to Cardinal Franof villages about 65 miles west of Warsaw. The Primate's action has

dismayed Solidarity supporters who view it as a major concession to the Communist authorities who have accused Father Ndwak, along with other militant priests, of "abusing priests, of "abusing freedom". Church sources suggested that the primate wanted to protect Father Ndwak, who has a heart ailment and was called in for questioning by police last week about his ties with Solidarity.

Cardinal Glemp has sought

to improve strained church state relations since his meeting tures to a petition.

The protests have been a Communist leader General source of embarrassment for Cardinal Glemp but are un concerned lest clergymen stir up unrest among workers ups about economic hardships.

He fears that further disturbances would be futile and might jeopardize the church's quiet diplomacy to secure the release of political prisoners and set up devout and obedient church a church-backed fund goers, about 2,000 worshipers Poland's private farmers. a church-backed fund to aid

Freed UN employee says she was not CIA spy

Wesolowska, a Polish United Warsaw in 1979. Nations employee freed from that she had spied for the remain in Poland

after her release on Monday four-day visit to Poland from a prison near Zielona The government Gora in western Poland.

Warsw (Reuter) - Alicja alleged when she was arrested in

At the time. jail at the instigation of Senor member of the UN Secretariat Pérez de Cuéllar, the UN and was on her way to take up a Secretary General, told re- UN post in Mongolia. Mrs porters she stood by her denial Wesolowska said she planned to

She was released after Shor Mrs Wesolowksa. aged 39, Perez de Cuellar raised her case was resting at her parents' home with the Polish Prime Minister, at Torun in nothern Poland General Jaruzelski, during a

spokesman Mr. Jerzy Urban She looked well and was in refused to comment on optigood spirits after serving four mism expressed by Señor Pérez years of a seven-year sentence de Cullar regarding the future of 11 dissidents and trade union She told Western reporters activists who are awaiting trial that she had never been a CIA on charges of plotting to agent as the Polish authorities overthow communist rule.



The Druze militia have told Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli Prime Minister, that they will not allow Palestinian gunmen to establish themselves in any positions on Lebanese territory, he said in Brussels yesterday. He said he had contacts with

all the Lebanese communities. Israel's sole aim in remaining in southern Lebanon and its present bombing raids was to protect its northern borders.

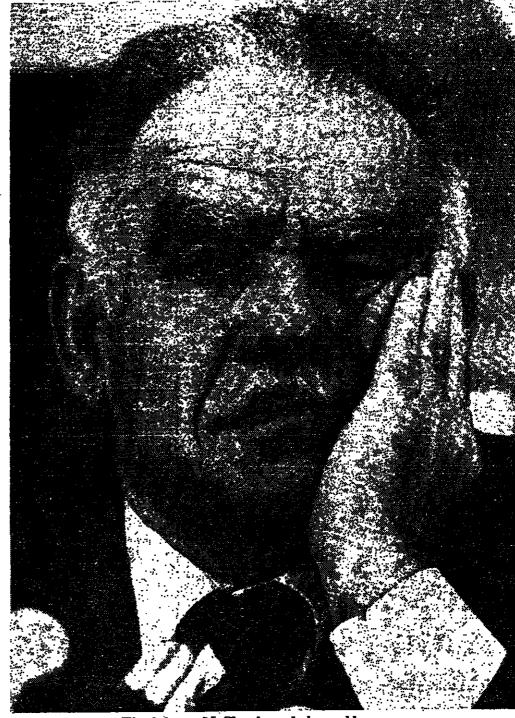
Israel would not withdraw from Lebanon until the border was secure. He had hoped the Lebanese army would have consular matters - including the been able to do this, but if it was case of Mr Keith Carmichael not. "then we could come up with another Lebanese force

the idea of an American or UN force moving into southern Lebanon. "We do not believe that the US can play any role in

As to the UN, Israeli experience had shown that its troops could act as a buffer only if the armies on either side had agreed to stop fighting. "The UN cannot guarantee our frontier against terrorism."

Israeli tactics were solely directed against ending terrorism inside Israel. Patrolling by Israeli troops north of the Awali river did not mean the Army

Mr Shamir was in Brussels to talk to EEC foreign ministers about the effects of Spanish entry on trade with Israel. He was concerned that enlargement of the Community would do considerable harm to exports of fruit and vegetables. He agreed to more talks.



Worried man: Mr Shamir pondering problems

Colorado senator springs surprise

Flashing smile conceals a hard Hart

After Mr Walter Mondale, the candidate with most reason to be pleased with the outcome of the Iowa caucuses is Senator Gary Hart from Colorado, who finished second with 16 per cent of the vote. Two mouths ago, it looked

like his campaign, heavily in debt, was heading towards oblivion. Now he has suddenly become the leading challenger to Mr Mondale for the Democratic nomination, a role likely to be further constiduted after next week's primary in New Hampshire. Senator Hart's success in

Iowa was largely due to hard work, although he likes to believe that his "new ideas" on a range of issues also won

voters - particularly the young - to his cause. Desperately short of money and staff, he spent more time electioneering in lowa than any of his seven rivals, driving around in a van and making as many as 10 campaign stops a day.

One lesson I learnt from George McGovern is the importance of grasstroots campaigning in lowa," Mr Hart told me during an hourlong interview last Sunday.

Aged 47, he was Mr

McGovern's campaign manager in 1972 when the former

nator from South Dakota was catapulted into prominence by his unexpectedly strong showing in Iowa.

ioined the race. Mr Hart was the youngest of the Democratic candidates. He emphasized his relative youth and uses it to project himnself as a new kind of leader with new ideas. This has earned him the epithet of

He believes the party cannot hope to defeat President Reagan as long as it is still associated with the high-taxation, heavy-spending policies of the past. Mr Mondale, in particular, is part of that discredited past.

In speeches and debates, MI Hart has sniped at Mr Mondale for his role in President Carter's despised

being too cautious.
"My candidacy offers an alternative between two discredited pasts," he told me -"the outworn positions of Reagan Republicans, who care only for a few, and the outmoded ideas of those Demo-

crats who promise everything

to everybody".

By emphasizing his youth and devotion to new ideas, Senator Har is trying to present himself as the John Kennedy of the 1980s. His craggy good looks, athletic build and first himself as mile are all remuiriscent of LFK He crap remniniscent of JFK. He even

uses Kennedy's self-description - "an idealist without illusions

Argentina accused of handing back exiles

By Our Foreign Staff

country or in neighbouring Argentina since the mid-1970s. according to an Amnesty International briefing published

today.

The human rights organiza-tion says that about 50 Paraguayan exiles living in Argentina after the military coup there in 1976 were abducted by members of the Argentine security forces, and had since disappeared. In a number of cases, there was evidence that "the victims were handed over to the Paraguayan security

forces. Former prisoners had reported that some of the "disappeared ones" had died under torture or were illegally executed while in custody.

Amnesty says that it continues to receive reports about the torture of political prisoners in Paraguay. In October 1983

these were 50, compared with

More than 90 Paraguayans several hundred each year have disappeared inside their during the 1970s. Most of those in this category were considered prisoners of conscience. Torture sessions are said to take place usually at night, with

methods including the use of electric prods and the plunging of a victim's head into water, sometimes polluted with excrement, to the point of asphyxiation. The main purpose was "apparently to discourage any opposition to the government."

After claims of torture by a number of prisoners last Sep-tember, the police chief of Ascunción, the capital, blamed lawyers attached to the Comite

de Iglesias (churches' committee) for this publicity and said that they were acting on instructions from the Communist Party.

Special Briefing on Human Rights Violations in Paraguay (Amnesty International, British Section, 5 Roberts Place, ECIR OSI Special Including postage).

OEJ, 50p including postage).

European direct elections in June. But voting is compulsory in Belgium and anybody who

Missionaries on trial: Father Niall O'Brien (second from left), of Dublin and Father Brian Gore, from Perth, Australia, who have been accused of murder, with co-defendants in Bacolod City jail, the Philippines. Their trial begins tomorrow.

Court of Justice of the European Communities

Reservations about rejecting affidavits

Before Lord Justice Waller, Lord Justice Fox and Lord Justice Robert

appeal by the fifth plaintiff. Mr Edward Wong Wing Cheung, from Mr Justice Webster who on April 30, 1982 (The Times May 5, 1982). refused an application by the defendants, the Moscow Narodny Bank Ltd. for summary judgment under Order 14 of the Rules of the Supreme Court on a counterclaim. but making the fifth plaintiff's leave to defend the counterclaim con-

GOFF, giving the judgment of the court, said that the fifth plaintiff, vho was generally known as Mr Eddie Wong, appealed on the basis that he should have been given unconditional leave to defend.

The counterclaim against him concerned a number of advances of substantial sums of money made by the defendants to the first five plaintiffs, four of whom were companies controlled directly or indirectly by Mr Wong.

Mr Justice Webster, hearing the defendants' application for sum-

issues of fact alleged by Mr Wong to be triable issues. He had held Mr Wong's evidence in respect of four of those issues to be "almost wholly incredible" and in relation to the defence as a whole that Mr Wong's case against the hank was "there's

large number of documents. Their Lordships had considered all the matters with care, and in their judgment it was a classic case where leave to defend should be made

Regina v Secretary of State for

the Home Department, Ex parte

Part 12 of the Statement of Changes in the Immigration Rules (HC 169) related to persons subject to deportation under sections 3(5) and 5 of the Immigration Act 1971.

not to persons subject to summary removal as illegal immigrants under section 4 and Schedule 2 of that Act. There were therefore no rules regulating the exercise of the power of summary removal and section 3

summary removal, and section 3

did not impose on the secretary of

state any obligation to make such

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the entire sum at stake. It followed that the appeal would be dismissed.

However, there was one observation their Lordships wished to make about the judgment of Mr Justice Webster. After hearing a full citytion of guthoritus to an in the rare case where affidavit evidence could be rejected, he could, but would not necessarily conclude that on the evidence not even a faint possibility of a defence existed.

That point had not been fully

mmons under Order 14. He had said that an affidavit should be rejected only if it was which sought to categorize, in inherently unreliable because it was exclusive terms, the circumstances self-contradictory, inadmissible or in which such a irrelevant; that it should not be could be rejected.

Mr Justice McCullough so held in the Queen's Bench Division on February 20, dismissing an application by Mr Mehmet Cemal Mustafa for judicial review of a decision of an immigration officer on January 11, 1983, to treat the applicant as an illegal immigrant on the basis that he had obtained leave to enter the Justef Kingdom by

to enter the United Kingdom by

deception, and to give directions for

HIS LORDSHIP said that there

was a discretion where a person had

obtained leave to enter by deception

and had overstayed that leave to

treat him either as an illegal

be incredible or almost incredible; and that in the rare case where affidavit evidence could be rejected,

ing any concluded view upon it. They wished, however, to express their reservations about a statement

Willan; Slaughter & May.

in which such affidavit evidence

Case 24/83 Solicitors: Holman, Fenwick &

No rules on summary removal from UK

a right to remain here while pursuing his statutory appeal against the deportation order. Although the exercise of that discretion was judicially reviewable, it was difficult to conceive

removal, or as an overstayer who, although subject to deportation, had

circumstances in which it could be shown that that exercise had been so There was no obligation on the

secretary of state to give reasons for the way in which his discretion had

European Law Report

Conservation orders within **EEC** law Gewiese and Mehlich v

Mackenzie

Before: Judge J. Mertens de Wilmars. President, and Judges T. Koopmans, K. Bahimann, Y. Galmot, P. Pescatore, Lord Mackenzie Stuart, A. O'Keeffe, G. Bosco, O. Due, U. Everling and C. Kakouris Advocate General: Sir Gordon

[Judgment delivered February 14]

By the West Coast Herring (Prohibition of Fishing) Order (SI 1978 No 930) the United Kingdom prohibited herring fishing in the area designated Division VI by the International Council for Explo-

Commission proposal to reduce to zero, in accordance with ICES amendations, the total allowable catch of herrings in that area and the Commission expressly approved the order in December 1978. A small area of water covered by the Order lay on the Northern Ireland side of the median line between Scotland and Northern

Ireland. That area was not within the scope of the enabling powers of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967. The United Kingdom Government corrected the error by making two separate orders: the West Coast Herring (Prohibition of Fishing) Order (SI 1981 No 585) and the North Coast (Prohibition of Herring Fishing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) (SI 1981 No 100) which entered into force on May I and April 27, 1981, respectively. On July 10, 1981, two German

fishing boats were arrested by the United Kingdom authorities while fishing for herring off the west coast of Scotland in the area covered by the May 1, 1981 Order. They were tried and convicted of contravening the Order and their catches were confiscated. They appealed by way of case stated and the High Court of Justiciary referred the matter for a preliminary ruling.

In its judgment the Court of Justice of the European Communities held as follows:

The member states might, in the case of inaction by the Council, bring into force interim conservation measures but must, within the framework of the general task of supervision which article 155 of the Treaty entrusted to the Commission, comply with the pro-cedural and substantial conditions laid down by the Council in Annex VI of the Hague Resolution of November 3, 1976, confirmed by the Council declaration of January

with the substantive conditions laid down by the Council, which were binding on the member states, in a situation marked by a failure to implement a common policy regarding the conservation of fishery resources.

saleguarding by the Community of the common interest and of the integrity of its own powers imposed upon the member states in such circumstances the obligation not to lay down national conservation measures in the face of objections. reservations or conditions whichmight be fermulated by the

In principle, no fresh consultation of the Commission was required in the case of the re-enactment by a member state, without substantive amendment, of a national measure

Commission might be accurately informed of the state of the law in force in the various member states.

conscrvation measure previously adopted in compliance with Community law could not be retained without substantive amendment that is, where the trend revealed by the relevant available scientific data showed that the earlier protection measures were no longer strictly necessary for the management and

with the procedural and substantive conditions referred to above, in order to adapt them to the new

the power vested in the Communit since January 1, 1979 to ado measures for protection of the biological resources of the sca-

The determination that the former rules on protection were no longer appropriate in the light of scientic information newly available and the adoption of the measures

For those reasons, the court held that no fresh consultation of the Commission was required in the commission was required in the case of the re-enactment, without substantive amendment, of a national measure for the conservation of fishery resources, which was previously adopted in conformity with the procedural and substantive conditions laid down by Community law.

forward to November Managua (AP) - Nicaragua's Sandinista Government announced elections on Novemb er 4 to vote in a President, Vice. President and 90 members of a constituent assembly Both officials will take office on lanuary 10. 1985 and serve six-

Nicaragua

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vear terms. Thousands of Nicaraguans crowded the Plaza of the Revolution to hear leaders of the left-wing government make the long-awaited announce ment. Polling in 1985 had been expected.

A woman runner handed over a torch carried into the plaza by a group of runners to commemorate the guirrilla struggle of Augusto... Cesar Sandino, killed 50 years ago.

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Ship stopped in sub search

Karlskrona (AFP) - Sweden refused permission to a Soviet cargo vessel the Volgobiat, to enter the port of Kariskrona where military units have spent the past 13 days searching for an unidentified submarine. A submarine could easily escape undetected in the wake of a merchat ship, a Defence Ministry spokesman said.

Tribal wooing

Islamabad (Reuter) - President Babrak Karmal of Afghanistan has urged his Communist Party to strengthen the country's tribes, the "first line of defence against imperialism". The economy of tribal areas should be promoted to help stop guerrilla infiltration from Pakistan, Kabul radio quoted him as saying.

Pen guns

Brussels (AFP) - Belgian police arrested a 23-year-old man who made a living by maufacturing ball-point pens that shot .22 calibre bullets, deadly at a range of up to three or four yards. A Frenchman found with 200 of the guns in his car was also held.

Pilots sacked

Karachi (Reuter) - Pakistan's state-run airline PIA sacked five senior pilots for "spreading unfounded rumours, holding clandestine meetings and creating alarm and despondency." Three years ago it dismissed several thousand employees after a martial law decree banned unions in the airline.

Dhaka defiance

Dhaka (Reuter) - Bangladesh's opposition parties, defy-ing a ban on free political activity, staged protest marches and anti-martial law rallies after ceremonies honouring national heroes. Police and forces stood by silently. A protest general strike is due on

Li's visit

Islamabad (AP) - In his first overseas trip since his inaugura tion last year, President Li Xianian of China will pay a four-day state visit to Pakistan starting March 5. President Zia ul-Haq of Pakistan visited China in October.

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Caracas (Reuter) - Venezuela's Ambassador in Guyana. Senor Sadio Garavini was wounded in the eye and his wife shot in the leg by assailants who surprised them at their home in Georgetown.

Mixed blessing Brussels: - British and Irish residents in Belgium are to be given the right to vote for Belgian candidates in the

fails to go to the polls will be

Leading article, page 15 Law Report February 22 1984

Others v Moscow Narodny Bank Ltd

[Judgment delivered February 21] The Court of Appeal dismissed an ditional upon his paying into court the sum of US \$3.5m.

Mr Robert Galehouse, QC. and Mr Steven Gee for the fifth plaintiff. Mr Samuel Stamler, QC and Mr LORD JUSTICE ROBERT

case against the bank was "shadcerned only with three of those eight issues, in relation to which the court had heard very full argument from counsel and had been referred to a

conditional upon a payment into with other evidence it was found to court of at least a substantial part of be incredible or almost incredible; citation of authority, he had expressed an opinion about the circumstances in which a court might reject affidavit evidence on a

That point had not been fully argued before their Lordships who, accordingly, desisted from express-

ration of the Sea (ICES).

The Order was based on a

In consequence, a member state nust not bring national conser-

had sought in good faith the approval of the Commission. The 1981 Order entered into force on May 1, 1981 but was not notified to the Commission until May 4. That condition was not therefore satis-

The procedural rules in question were intended to ensure compliance

The requirements inherent in the

for the conservation of fishery resources which was adopted previously in conformity with the procedural and substantive con-ditions laid down by Community

The notification of new national measures nevertheless continued to be necessary, in order that the

it was therefore for the national authorities to take the initiative by amending their rules, in conformit

That argument could not be upheld. It failed to take account of

called for by that situation were therefore matters exclusively for the Community authorities.

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OVERSEAS NEWS

Pretoria wields big stick despite peace initiative

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

A non-agression pact between South Africa and Mozambique could be formally concluded at a summit between Mr P. W. and Pretoria of working Botha, the South African Prime Minister, and President Machel. it was being suggested here vesterday, after Monday's talks in Maputo at which the principles of such a pact were

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agreed. Pretoria's sudden switch from aggression to detente in its dealings with its black neighbours is as puzzling to many South Africans as it must be to outsiders more used to news stories of verbal insults, guerrilla attacks and military re-

Africa's regional strategy has always been a judicious mix of the military and economic bludgeon on the one hand and the conciliatory diplomatic overture on the other. Pretoria is talking softly now, but it is sull carrying a big stick behind 1983

The conciliatory phase seems to have begun in the final quarter of last year after the case of Angola and Mozambique. There had been contacts and meetings for a year or more before that, but these did not produce any clear results.

A nadir in relations with Mozambique was reached in the middle of last year after the car bomb on May 20 in a crowded Pretoria street which killed 19 people and wounded more than 200. Responsibility was claimed by the banned African National Congress (ANC).

South Africa responded at once with an air raid on alleged ANC houses in Maputo, where the car bombing was said to have been planned. In October, Pretoria sent a commando unit to bomb an ANC office after sabotage of petrol storage tanks at Warmbaths in central Tran-

Later in October, President Machel made a tour of European capitals in which he acknowledged his country's desperate economic plight and his desire for a fresh start in relations with Western coun-

tries and South Africa. This was followed at the end of November and in early December by a European tour by Mr Pik Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, who also had a crucial, though at the time little noted, meeting in Rome with Dr Chester Crocker, the American Assistant Sec. which are only partly the result relary of State for African of Pretoria's "destibilization".

January 16 saw the first breakthrough with simul-taneous meetings in Maputo and Pretoria of working groups on a range of security and economic issues. These paved the way for last Monday's historic ministerial-level meet-ing in Maputo, which thrashed out the terms of a non-

aggression pact. The pact will in effect require Mozambique to curb the activities of the ANC, and South Africa to cease its active, if covert, support of anti-government insurgents in Mozambi-

Pretoria came close to a risals.

Ceasefire agreement with Angola
The truth is that South in December, 1982, after talks on the Cape Verde Islands, with Luanda. That initiative collapsed, however, after Swapo guerrillas based in southern Angola launched a rainy-season offensive against South Africanoccupied Namibia early in

> There was little movement until Mr Pik Botha's December meeting in Rome with Dr Crocker, It was here apparently, that South Africa was persuaded to make its offer of a trial ceasefire in the Angloa-

Namibia border region.
This proposal was duly at the United presented Nations, although its significance was somewhat blurred by the simultaneous launching of a substantial South African military incursion against Swapo bases in Angola.

As late as January 20, the prospects for a ceasefire looked dim after Mr Botha had publicly rejected the terms of Angola's response to the pronosal. However, after talks in Cape Town on January 28 with Dr Crocker, Mr P. W. Botha announced in Parliament on January 31 that South Africa had been disengaging its forces

from southern Angola.
On February 16 in Lusaka. the Zambian capital, at a tripartite meeting with the United States, a decision was taken by Angola and South Africa to set up a joint commission to monitor the disengagement and Angola's pledge that neither Cuban nor Swapo troops would be allowed to move into the vacated areas. Angolan and Mozambique

have been driven to the negotiating table by the chaotic conditions in their countries,

Leading article, page 15

The man who kissed Mrs Thatcher

President Pertini's first London visit

It is never too late will be the obvious moral drawn by the arrival at Heathrow tomorrow of Signor Sandro Pertini, Italy's irrepressible President, who at the age of 87 will see

London for the first time.

In Italy the President is by far the most popular figure in public life, safely ahead even of the Pope. The Spanish newspaper El Pais has called him the world's most popular politician. He has undoubtedly won an extraordinary esteem by his candour and an ability to combine informality with human dignity. He is an official candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize ("it would be false modesty to say I didn't want

it").
A lifelong socialist who spent much of his youth im Mussoli-ni's prisons, his British politi-cal idols tend to be Conservatives. He talks about Churchill's greatness, adding that the "blood, sweat, toil and tears" speech "gave fresh heart to us anti-Fascist prisoners when reports of it reached us". He is a declared admirer of Mrs Thatcher.

She was here last month and they met fleetingly last week at the Andropov funeral "Mrs Thatcher", he says over half a glass of punt e mes, is a woman I find very likeable. She gets on with things. And then you in Britain have swept men out of public life. The men have become impotent, in political terms that is.

The head of state, the head of the Government and the Lord Mayor of London are for the first time all women. I am very fund of the Queen: we talk together like two friends of long standing. She is openminded, straightforward and speaks her

Those are undoubtedly the virtues most appreciated by Pertini. It also explains why, in the case of Mrs Thatcher at least, his affection for her is much more marked than is usual among Italian politicians who are less inclined that he to accept straight talking. They find her manuer too harsh.

Not the President: "I know on British are a stylish people, but at soon at I saw her in Moscow last week I embraced her and kissed her. Naturally, according to British etiquette this is something which should not be done, quite deplorable, that a man should embrace the Prime Minister. But I like her.



President Pertini: "British are a stylish people."

The Moscow journey was the most recent proof of the President's stamina, considering that be was already a grown man before the Russian revolution broke out. He stopped at Budapest on the way to Moscow for a quick talk with the Hungarian Deputy Prime Minister, arrived in time to pay his respects at Mr Andropov's hier, stood the next day for over two hours at the funeral ceremony ("it was not as long as we feared"), took two vodkas and a grappa at the Italian Embassy to disperse the cold, spoke at some length with Mr spoke at some length with Mr Chernenko, met the Italian community, had a long talk – which he found important – with Mr George Bush, visited an Italian school, set off the next day for Rome and stopped on the way back in Vienna for a talk with the Austrian Presi-

dent.
He came away from his meeting with Mr Chernenko favourably impressed. "He seemed to me a likeable rather than a hard faced man. He gave me the impression of a certain affability. If matters depend on him talks might well be reopened in a more tranquil

This need for reviving talks between East and West will be. he says, the main point in his talks with Mrs Thatcher. "She will not need my prompting because Mrs Thatcher is capable of moving on her own account: we are agreed on that. But I shall give my views on the subject with every firmness. This dialogue between the superpowers and the allies must be resumed. If not, trouble ... because if we do not do so the silence can be broken by the nuclear bomb. And then no one will ever speak to each

Barricades go up again on French highways From Diana Geddes

In a deliberate act defiance, lorry drivers extended their road blockades yesterday. blocking in particular all access from Paris to Charles de Gaulle airport, as talks began between representatives of the road haulage federations and the Government which had earlier insisted that it would

not negotiate under pressure.

By yesterday evening, nearly
90 blockades were reported to
be in place, compared with only 50 the day before, mainly in the north-west, north-east, around Paris, and in the Savoy-Alos area. This was where the trouble first started a week ago in protest over lengthy delays caused by strikes of customs officials on both sides of the ranco-Italian frontier.

The French customs officials are now working normally, but their Italian colleagues resumed their strike on Monday in oursuit of demands for more pay and shorter working hours. More than 2,000 lorries, including some from Britain, have been stuck for days on the Italian side waiting to cross the Alps through the Mont Blanc

Ski resorts in the Chamonix Valley area are complaining that botel reservations have dropped by 20 per cent at what is normally a peak period in the school mid-term holidays, as a direct result of the lorry drivers' action.



Motorway patrol: Police vehicles block a section of road outside Paris to keep protesting lorry drivers clear of the capital.

On Sunday, the two main organizations representing France's 30,000 road haulage representing concerns called on their members to remove their blockades promised negotiations with the Government.

But on Monday night, the smaller of the two federations added to the general confusion by changing its mind and

their action in order to keep the pressure on the Government. One of the main targets this time was Paris, and traffic on the ringroad around the capital was brought to a virtual standstill in many places, as well as on many of the main arteries into the city, including the A3 north to Charles de Gaulle airport. market of Runois to the south

of the city, however.

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The first round of talks with the Viont Blanc tunnel; and the the Government is intended to deal with immediate demands by drivers: compensation for delays and damaged cargoes which, as the damage is selfinflicted, the insurance companies are unlikely to cover: immediate reopening of the Franco-Italian frontier and long-term measures to speed up enstoms clearance; reduced toll charges for goods lorries using

waiving of all legal sanctions against drivers involved in the dispute.

● VIENNA: More than 800 lorries were stranded on the Austrian side of the Brenner Pass yesterday (Richard Bassett writes).

The Italian customs dispute is estimated to be costing Austrian exporters 7 million schillings (£260,000) a day.

S African policeman jailed for killing black From Our Own Correspondent

white South African security policeman. Sergeant Jan Harm Van As, was sentenced in the Rand Supreme Court yesterday to 10 years in prison for shooting dead at point-blank range a black detainee whom he was interrog-ating on July 5 last year. Mr. Justice F. N. Kirk-Cohen

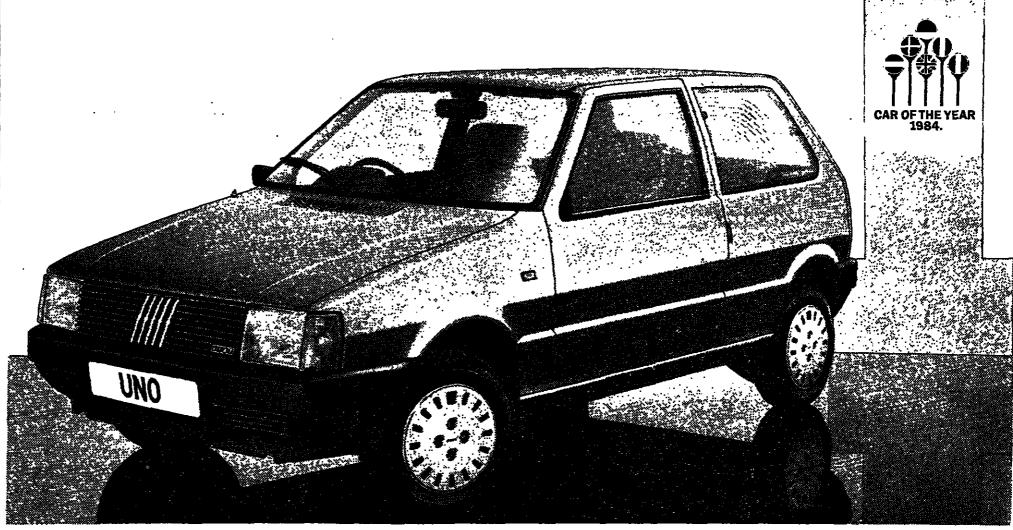
had found Van As guilty of culpable homicide, but rejected prosecutor for a verdict of murder.

Mr Kirk-Cohen accepted that the accused had forced the defenceless Paris Malatji, aged 23, to "knee before him, unlocked the safety catch and held the loaded gun to his head" with the aim of territying the detainee into making a confession about his alleged links with the banned African National Congress.

The judge said there was a possibility that Malatji had tried to defend himself, that the pistol had gone off inadver-tently and that Van As had not intended to shoot, though he should have known it was unlawful to point a gun at a

Lawyers for the parents of Malatji have started a suit for damages of 51.600 rands (£30,300) against the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis Lo Grange, who is responsible for

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ECONOMY

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Mr Walter Goldsmith the

director-general of the institute

said that Britain was "on the

verge of an economic miracle"

but he urged Mrs Thatcher not

to "abandon the mission" and

called for a widespread cut in

We have reached a point in

the life of Mrs Thatcher's

government where it is all too easy for her to slacken the reins.

must sometimes seem that the

behaviour of cabinets and

spending ministers has not

changed since the seventeenth

achievements. businessmen must candidly also say that it.

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burden of taxation continue to

This is not the time to

century. In congratulating the Prime Minister on so many

To the Prime Minister it

rules, says Pao

Free enterprise and free trade have been the key factors behind the big economic success of Hongkong, Sir Yuc-Kong Pao the Hongkong shipping million-aine told the convention.

The global trend towards protectionism is in fact more of a worry to Hongkong's business community than the political uncertainties about the colony's future, he said. Despite its small area and total lack of raw materials. Hongkong has be-come one of the 20 largest trading nations in the world as well as a leading financial

"What had been crucial to this success is the fact that people had, and continue to have, incentives to perform better. They have been able to keep and enjoy more of what

Sir Y.K., who is chairman of the World-Wide Shippinng Group, said that confidence was crucial to economic success. Hongkong had suffered an unusual loss of confidence in the last fwo years, with political uncertainties allied with the effects of the world recession. property market and the weak-

ness of Hongkon's carrency.

But his pessimism had proved to be a temporary

Mr. R. Goldie, Glasgow

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Ms. Anne Rowe. Camberley

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GOVERNMENT POLICY

Freedom Professions cannot escape competition, says Brittan

Directors convention in London yesterday that the pro-fessions should not be sheltered cal, said Mr Britain, than the

from competition.
"Proposals to improve com-

Society are also opening up vested interests in the private whatever form best serves the held jobs and those who sought

customers' interests. Nowhere, he added, would more efficient labour market rather than out of, jobs would ment." make the single most important contribution to tackling the Thatcher's administration was a That is something which we

scourge of unemployment "For years trade unions in Britain have soughtto collecti-vize the economy. From the top, through pressure for nationalization planning agreements. and legislative changes to reinforce their powers. From the bottom, by constant pressure to widen union membership - and in particular, through the

closed shop.
"The whole sorry process has

Ms Margaret Turkson, London

"I think people should be left alone to decide what they want to do with their

Ms. C. Wood, Kilmalcolm

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Mr Leon Brittan, the Home been self-defeating, but it has Secretary, told the Institute of been a defeat in which all of us have lost."

claim that the law had no place in industrial relations, "It does, petition in conveyancing were it always has, and it undoubedly announced last Friday," he said. always will. Unions are crea-"The City and the Law tures of law."

The Government's two their practices to more com- Employment Acts were depetitive pressure. Competition signed to redress the balance of must apply irrespective of power between employers and employees, those in unions and and the public sectors alike in those outside them, those who

jobs.
"Yet ultimately, it is up to improvements in markets reap the unions to recognize that the surer or more welcome rewards irresponsible misuse of their than in the labour market. "A power both to force up real wages and to impose unionizaallowing workers to price tion on those who do not wish themselves and others into, it leads to more unemploy-Mr Brittan said that Mrs represents a new conviction.

> ment whose main achievement had been to change for ever the terms of the debate about Britain's future. "That change is not just important for the political parties. It is not just important

> prospects and prosperity in the "A new international concensus exists on the need to control

for business and for everyone in

this hall. It is crucial to Britain's

borrowing, to encourage profits and to make markets work. Successive international sum-

mits have recognized it "Just a few years ago our medium term financial strategy was the butt of lethargic jocularity at every fringe meeting at the Conservative Conference. Now, however, the example of the MTFS is studied and followed by governments at conferences of a rather different

West Germany and Holland have medium-term plans to tackle their government deficits. And there is growing pressure to adopt a similar approach in the

What lies behind this seachange of opinion and policy is a mixture of necessity and conviction." "But the new consensus also

radical and reforming govern- must not hide. It is that the pursuit of equality through collective action creates poverty, injustice and often corruption and oppression. At the heart of liberal conservatism and the social market economy ability to better himself and, through the market, to better others too. That is why the most important single long-term goal of this Government must now

Ms. K. Saville, Oldham

Mr. D. A. Martin, Hockley

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Colin Marshall, of British Airways, left, and Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, addressing the conference

British managers 'too unemotional'

Business leaders in Britain need to be more emotional and more prepared to make mis-takes, Mr Colin Marshall, chief executive of British Airways,

executive of British Airways, told the convention.

Paucity of leadership was a more serious failing in Britain than technological obsolescence, inflation, or labour problems.

Many of Britain's business leadership problems stem from the inethy formers adversional

its justly famous educational system, Mr Marshall said. This turns out superbly trained analytical minds which see all

Ms. Karen Brown, Bury

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the intellectual elements of any business problem, but lack the emotional impetus to do somethint about them. The people it produces have comparatively little understanding or empathy with the needs of others.

Commitment in business required a certain amount of emotional display which is anathema to many people in

Business innumerable courses on how to cope with balance sheets, but few curricula provided help in

leadership. taught that making mistakes was acceptable, that leadership demanded communication, and that they should always tell the

ECONOMICS

Muldoon backs summit

Sir Robert Muldoon, Prime Minister of New Zealand, said that for nearly two years, the world's decision makers had been seeking a long-term rem-edy for global economic prob-

come together in a "new Bretton Woods" is yet to be determined. My belief is that we do not do it now then we will do it later in even less

propitious circumstances.

"What is proposed, as was the case in 1944, is a detailed preliminary procedure of analysis leading to the preparation of options, followed finally by a

"I believe that agreement can only be reached by, and in the name of, the world community. The regular summits, the Group of 10, the OECD, the IMF, the Group of 77, the non-alignment movement almost all agree on the analysis of the situation, but the solution is

views of the wealthy countries, who agree that something must be done but are fearful of a major conference where everyone speaks and no one listens, and the Third World, who want that major conference im-

necessarily in that order.
"The Common Common Agricultural of the Community is economic lunacy of the highest

learning how

Mr Marshall said he had seen very able managers outshone by men of apparently lesser ability who worked at supplying care and concern for all the people who worked with them. The need was for caring

lems similar to the Bretton Woods arrangement of 40 years

conference which may extend over some time to agree on which options are acceptable.

"The governments of the power-ful industrial economies hold the key and no solution which is not generally acceptable to them will

ever be reached.
"It is also necessary to marry the

On the issue of protectionism. Sin Robert said that the Gatt had outlived its mandate. It had nowhere to go on industrial products and had never gone invwhere on agricultural products.

Among the three worst offenders in respect of agricultural protection ism are Japan, the United States and the European Community, not

abandon the mission. Now is the time for Mrs Thatcher to revive the radical zeal of 1979. Tax cuts are not an option of a luxury: they are a necessity forgrowth, enterprise, and invest-

ment, savings and jobs.

To curb public spending is not something which is to be striven for with little hope of reward: it is the bedrock of the policy upon which the present Jovernment was elected.

Mr Goldsmith said the institute posed the question to Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancel-lor. "If you cannot tackle public spending and map out a strategy for the tax cuts you say are necessary now, at the start of your term, with a majority of 144 seats, when will you be able to do so?"
Britain was on the verge of an

ecomomic miracle comparable to the German success of the 1950s, said Mr Goldsmith. Inflation was down from 27 per cent to 5 per cent, industrial output was up 7 per cent on 1981, gross domestic product growth was the highest in Europe, healthy upturns were apparent in the motor and housing industries and standards of living were rising_

"But we cannot rely on growth to fuel itself. He called on the Chancellor to raise the income tax thresholds of the lower paid, to start cutting income tax basic rate, to abolish the investment income surcharge and tackle some of the capital taxes "which attack capitalism itself".

What a disappointment it would be if Nigel Lawson's first Budget was remembered for putting up beer or cigarrettes. taking away mortgage or pen-sion tax reliefs, or capital allowances for business, or introducing -so-called financial services taxes.

"On the other-hand, what a splendid and solid foundation the Chancellor's first budget encouraged enterprise, extended the property-owning democracy and started to set the people free from the tyrappy and demoralization of excessive taxation.



INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Jaguar's chief calls for union support

Jaguar, the BL subsidiary which "break out of the time warp they seem to be in" and support to win. the creation of wealth.

"In today's industrial enantique philosophies calling for more money for less work and giving less commitment to the future of their company are ensure that their members abandon short term thinking and understand that their own and their company's interests lic together.

"Good quality and high productivity can only be achieved through industrial harmony, this in turn can bring massive investment and good employment.

"Satisfying the customer has to be the goal of the chairman, the youngest apprentice and the chief shop steward. Jobs, wages, profits and investments are all by-products of a satisfied customer.'

Earlier, Mr Egan outlined the recovery plan for Jaguar that had begun in 1980 with improved quality as the first

"it was abundantly clear from the outset that emphasizing quality as the number one priority of the company met with the full approval of the workforce. It was also absolutely clear to us that we would

Mr John Egan, chairman of make good purely and simply because everybody was utterly is soon to be privatized, spoke determined to play his part. The of the need for trade unions to company was going to win because the employees wanted

"Since 1980-81, demand for our cars in all world markets vironment they must learn that has continued to grow and whilst our workforce fell from 10.5000 making 14.000 cars in 1980 to 7.200 producing the same number in 1981, it has inappropriate. Trade unions since grown to just over 8,000 must show the leadership to making over 28,000 cars last making over 28,000 cars last year. This represents a trebling of producitivity compared with 1980."

He added: Overall we have tried to create an environment at Jaguar which is the exact opposite of the purely instrumental approach which charactizes the employee's attitude. towards his company in so much of industry. We know the dividends this pays not only in. terms of generating a much better atmosphere within our factories, but also in our people's willingness to go far beyond the normal call of duty

when problems arise. "It is a simple philosophy." We believe that everyone working for Jaguar must be kept fully informed of its progress.

Jaguar's world sales had grown from 14,000 in 1980 to 29.170 last year, including remarkable growth in the United States. But the performance index that gave most pleasure was the improvement in customer satisfaction ratings

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9 out of 10* people wish to be free to decide whether they will smoke or not.

Mr. A. L. Duff, Manchester

Mr. J. Parker, Sevenoaks

people should have the choice to smoke or

not. The idea of taxing that choice out of

⁴As a nan-smoker, which is my own

choice. I think that people should have the

Unfair taxation is taking that freedom away.

Even though they might not be smokers, ordinary people want to be free to decide about smoking for

themselves. The taxes on cigarettes are unfair compared with most other products. Excessive tax means that smoking is being put out of the reach of many people, and the decision is no

A recent poll conducted by NOP Market Research

"NOP Market Research Ltd., July Nov. 1983

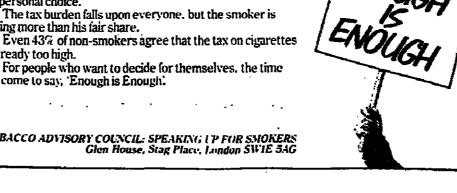
showed that 9 out of 10 people felt that smoking was a matter for personal choice.

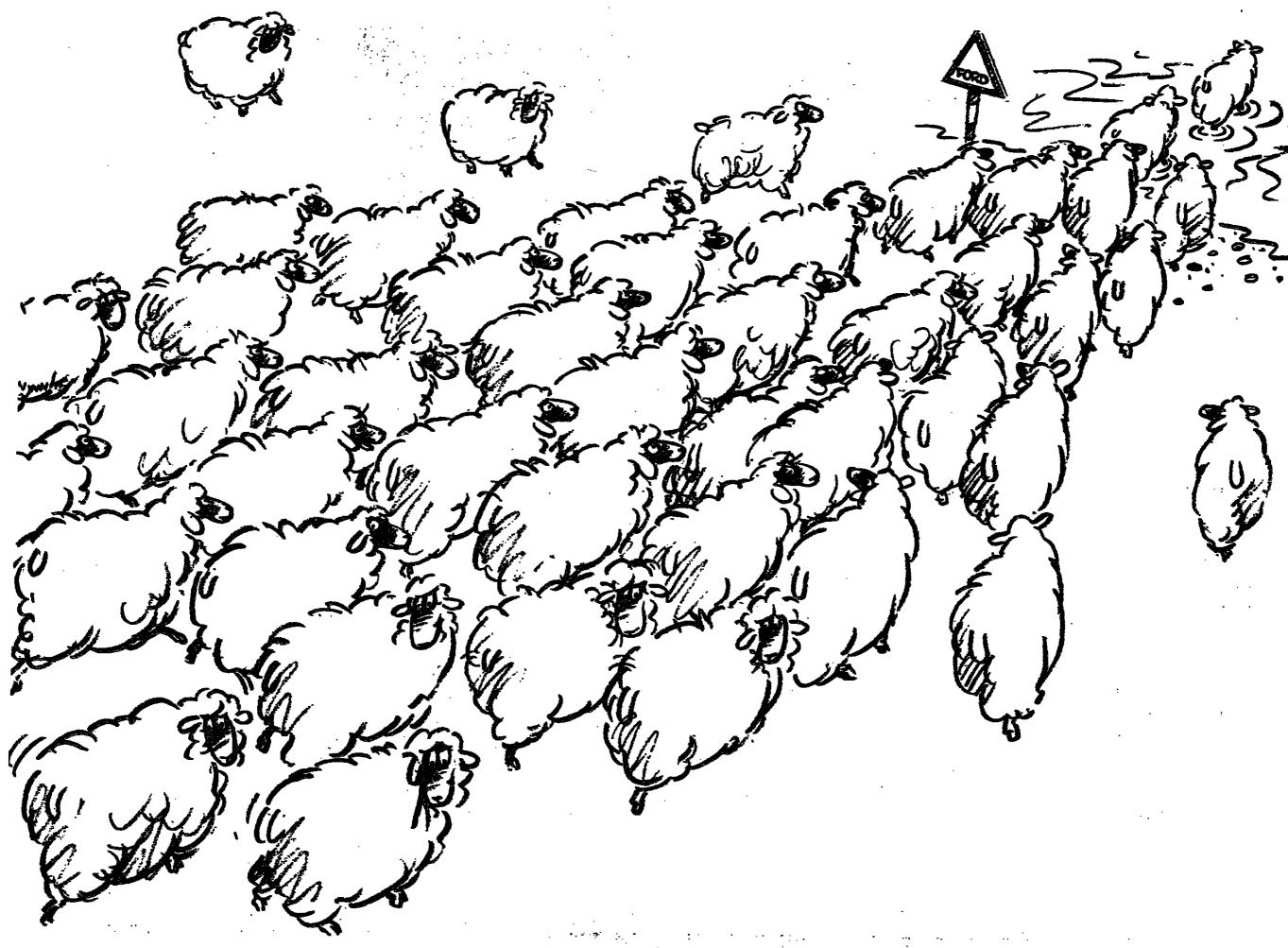
The tax burden falls upon everyone, but the smoker is paying more than his fair share.

is already too high. For people who want to decide for themselves, the time

has come to say, Enough is Enough.

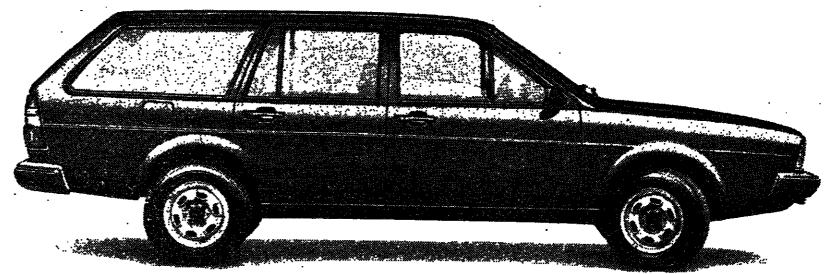
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scarcely a staple of the reperture although Covent Garden saw it is borrowed – and none-too-good production from Budapest in the mid-Seventies and it is back white Scala reperiory at Eastor. But it is aghily praised for its raw rigour and power qualities shared with Verdi's preceeding opera. Naturally

In O Sender, del tetto natio i which the combards sing in the Holy Land during the Constant of the title it has a chorus to match that of the Hebrew slaves in Nabileco. And L mia leuzia" is an aria most fialiar tenors will sing soorer or leter. Solera's improbable, even impossible. libretto of parricide, incestuous love and disguised hermits is another-

For his Paris opera Verdi turned the "plot" over to Royer and Vaez, who a few years carlier had provided Donizetti with the libretto for La Favorue. They did the right thing by ensuring that the crusaders were. Frenchmen (from Toulouse) rather:

La traviata Hexagon, Reading...

Verdi, I suspect would be a happy even ardent follower of Opera 80's new travelling Traviata, on its way now from A David Parry's subtle and so week in the West to the direction, hogging riose. Midlands and the East, His word of his new and gene original hopes for an opera with successful translation. And a contemporary setting were thwarted in 1856 and havework's nerve-centre, while also could

designs illuminate and rentize not her usual partner Revisitis economy black and light John was indisposed. No less filtered white for the onier acts. carefully thought through was and shades of law relationship of Germoot that nestles neath splits apart defily for the sil choreographed flappers fancy voiced char

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emotional response: ?

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Monday we felt it supremely the Violetta of Bronwen Milis been, by and large, ever-since tipe two principals are double steven Pimloit, in updating the cast. Lying Dawson sings Lady of the Camelias to 1028 tonight. Miss Milk's prograph has come brilliantly close to the is one which any London Stage. providing the company with Her musical and dramate just the economy and versatility rapport with Paul Harches of stagecraft it needs.

Annic Smart's handsome set balanced, the more so as it distinctive Alfredo was strong

Hilary Finch



Crusaders are always on the rampage. there is a cold grey light with formal blocks of earth and pillars that come from a quite different visual tradition.

Smnon, in sum, has laid bare just what he should have tried to conceal: that Jörusalem is indeed stylistically a divided opera. Fortunately, on the musical side Verdi got a much better deal, although some of the new

vet shoot out above everyone else in ensemble. The polonaise in which Helene, wandering in the desert with her faithful companion Isaure (Judith Malafronte), is overjoyed at the news her beloved Gaston is still alive came across with a brilliance that suggests she would be ideal casting for a part such as Elvira in Puritani.

of murder, was Veriano Luchetti, a

matching them in vocal standards as the Count.

Donato Renzetti. heard to good advantage in Glyndebourne's Barhiere, early on seemed as uncertain as Jean-Marie Simon about the true nature of Jerusalem. It needed a Sinopoli or a Chailly to reach into guts of the score. Later in their he achieved a much be

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A voice for all England

Elgar frying to work on any
Third Symphops, as
portrayed by "Batt" (Oswaid
Barrett) in the Gifford
Companion of States

performances of the dinner was held in his honour at what Richard Strauss proposed a toast to welfare, and success of the first Farings of the first Farings

been hoped that Elgae would have rearried out an even more important creative declared that he was one of the first time was an expensed to the first time was prepared to take scriously the innovations of adversals for the first English composer who was prepared to take scriously the innovations of adversals for the first English composer to do so. Arthur Sullivan had gone to Leipzig and returned to be hailed as the English Mendelsohn with his music for The Tempest. Elgar's and an inability to do so. One of the best show that the first English composer to do so arthur sullivant had gone to Leipzig and returned to be hailed as the English Mendelsohn with his music for The Tempest. Elgar's analyses of Elgar's musical personality is his. case was a different case: from the provincial atmosphere of Worcester he escaped to a Europe where, after tasting Wagner. Brahms and Liszt at Covent Garden and the Crystal Palace, he could actually hear all of the Ring, Tristan, Parsifal and Meistersinger.

The first oratorios in which he tried out Wagner's techniques of harmonic and thematic transformation were not unqualified successes. It still remains to be explained how the Enigma Variations sprang into life with such maturity and conviction in 1899. But, with The Dream of Gerontus. Elgar brought within the haldwood portals of the English oratorio traditions and moments of doubt and and the convenience and the con rousness and moments of doubt and selfquestioning changed that genre radically and forever. Without Gerontius, it is safe to say, the oratorio dinosaurs would have driven themselves out of existence; there

poignant expression of the will to progress, and an inability to do so. One of the best analyses of Elgar's musical personality is an article by Donald Mitchell in Music and Letters (April 1957) in which he argues that Elgar's conservatism did not mean that he felt less deeply, but rather that the range of his feelings was inhibited, he did not plunge into those new regions

of feeling that might have forced his style to widen its scope".

Mitchell guesses that "had Elgar liberated himself from a host of protective emotional prohibitions ... he might well have responded with some out-of-charac-ter music that would have crossed the threshold of the new century in style, not chronology alone. That is an intriguing thought, but I believe it does less than justice to the knife-edge balance which Elgar does indeed attain in his finest works between optimism and pessimism, hope and despair. In the Second Symphony, for instance, as the cellos' theme in the first

movement is transformed into the

Still, Elgar's finest music - the works of the years between 1899 and 1919 - is standing the test of time: it remains belatedly adventurous, a late flowering of romanticism shot through with the presentiment of the inevitable decay of that language. From the English madrigalists, to Purcell in his consort music and Boyce and Arne in their symphonies, the English have always done things, musically, late in the day: in his delayed, cautious: intensely human progressivism, Elgar speaks for us all.

the researches of Christopher Kent have shown. The most expert musician among his friends who heard him "play through" the work'at the piano, Basil Maine, 'said that Elgar relied partly on jigsaw-like sketches, partly on memory and "partly imagine on extemporization". Elgar wanted to hide the fact that the Third Symphony did not exist, and his death-bed pica that no one should "tinker with it" was the best hope he had that his final failure would remain hidden.

Still Flear's finest music a the work of the survival of the writing spurred him to freer, more imaginative playing.

If Larsen's artistry was requirements of solo perform-

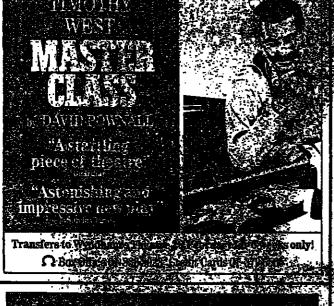
well taught (Ivan Galamian for five years), is well travelled and clearly well-supported. The sweet, true voice of his Guadagnini violin did speak out from time to time, but too often it was silenced by playing which

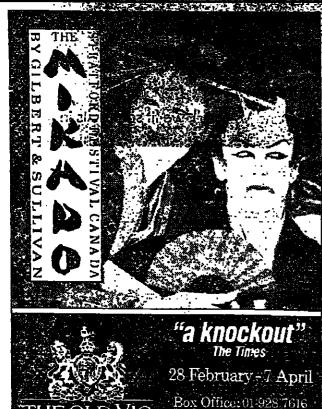
incomplete, that of the Cypriot violinist George Vass scarcely andible. He has been way yet reaches the minimum requirements of solo performance.

Way yet reaches the minimum requirements of solo performance.

Hilary Finch

• In an interview on this page with Hugh Brogan, biographer of Arthur Ransome, Caroline Moorehead stated that he worked at Exeter University. This was incorrect. Mr Brogan seemed to know or to care little for precision of rhythm or in the University apologies to him. is at the Department of History in the University of Essex. Our







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the car for those with more money than sense.

THE ULTIMATE DRIVING MACHINE

Her man in Havana-or in Stanley?

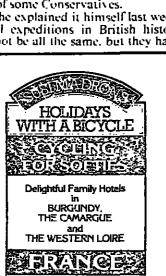
AST week a new novel arrived in the Prime Minister's personal mail at 10 Downing Street. Mrs Thatcher does not normally ask for new novels, preferring something more established for her rare times of relaxed reading. She may, however, have looked more closely than usual at this one.

It tells how a great British fleet was prepared and provided for in dramatic haste, how it sailed into far-off hostile waters in order to capture a small island and enhance "the grand historical adventure of the English nation": also how the enterprise was betrayed in Parliament by pusillanimous poli-ticians, the soldiers' sacrifices forgotten and the island returned to the Spanish-

The novel's author is Lord Thomas of Swynnerton, still probably better known as Hugh Thomas, historian of the Spanish Civil War, head of the right-wing think-tank, the Centre for Policy Studies, and one of the Prime Minister's close advisers on foreign affairs. It is set not in the South Affantic of 1982, but the Caribbean of 17n2 when a successful anti-Spanish expedition against Cuba, backed by William Pitt the Elder and the Duke of Newcastle, was opposed and undone by rival Tory peacemakers led by the notorious Lord Bute. The Falklands echo is, however, clear,

At the time of the 1982 campaign. Lord Thomas was one of those most intimately involved in Mrs Thatcher's tough negotiating stance against Argentina. In Havannah, to be published tomorrow, he has chosen to use a fictional device to weigh up the expedition's price and lasting value. The message is a simple one - spelt out perhaps too simply and starkly for the taste of some Conservatives.

As he explained it himself last week. "naval expeditions in British history may not be all the same, but they have



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Hugh Thomas has written an historical novel about the British naval expedition to the Caribbeau in 1762 portrayed (above) by Dominic Serres. But the problems facing the victors of the South Atlantic in 1982 are not far from the surface

important similarities. The 'take-andhold school will always tend to dominate for a short while and always tend to lose in the end. So there is a symbolic point in Havannah - the importance of the boost to the national spirit which accrues from victory, even victory followed by a political sell-

Hugh Thomas has written a novel that is partly in code - a typical act of his, according to political colleagues. He has always been a difficult man for Conservatives to pin down. Some suspect him simply for being an apostate. He is a former socialist and Labour candidate who made a sharp conversion to Mrs Thatcher's cause in 1977. To others, he is suspiciously smooth and charming. He has strong. silvery hair and such looks as Lord Byron might have enjoyed had he lived to Lord Thomas's age, 53 next birthday. Artists and intellectuals rarely find a secure home in the Conservative Party. Mrs Thatcher is no more than mildly enthusiastic about them herself. So why, it is asked, does he appear to be so favoured?

This line of questioning is particularly current at the moment. By the Prime Minister's appointment, he runs the Centre for Policy Studies, a temple for radical Tory free-marketeers founded by Sir Keith Joseph when the party was last in opposition and until recently dominated by the abrasive personality of Sir Alfred Sherman. But today Sherman sits on the sidelines after a series of acrimonious disputes with Thomas. Whether the consequent softening in the rhetoric emerging from the CPS is by Prime Ministerial design or not, few know for certain. But it is much talked of. Has Lord Thomas been given the role of dampening too

great right-wing expectations on the economy, on East-West relations, on the Falklands? Many think so.

When a vacancy is looming in a job that lies in the Prime Minister's gift, an ambassadorship in Madrid or Moscow. the mastership of Trinity College Cambridge, his name is bandied about as a candidate. But he is a man who keeps his own very close counsel. From politics it is a short step to silence", quotes the narrator's sister in the closing pages of Havannah. So with the author too: only the occasional sharp public or semi-public statement breaks out from the mist of reticence that his colleagues find at once such a source of endearment and suspicion.

His books - particularly this most

recent book - have a characteristic pattern of imaginative scholarship and firm didacticism. In the late 1950s he and his friend and fellow Tory convertto-be. Paul Johnson, both wrote light novels. Johnson's on student revolution in France. Thomas's on the absurdities of the Foreign Office where he had worked for a short time after leaving Cambridge. That first book. The World's Game (dedicated to Nancy Mitford, and now, he proudly explains, priced in US catalogues at \$50, as "Thomas's first work") begins with a long disclaimer that seems to protest a bit too much that its characters bear no relation to any living person. His second novel. The Oxygen Age, is another satire - this time on the gullibility of politicians in the face of technological advance. Both contain pellets of hard political criticism amidst the gentle wit. To the Times Literary Supplement reviewer of The World's Game, the set speeches were the best thing about the book.

Thomas subsequently abandoned

writing novels for the more remunerative and fame-bringing business of being a historian. He commented last week that he had never any particular ambition to be a novelist: "It just seemed the right way to start as a writer." There followed *The Spanish* Civil War. The Suez Affair (another British expedition hamstrung by politicians), an edited study of the English establishment, and his most recent and remarkable history book. An Unfinished History of the World, which traces the technological and economic forces that have moulded the earth from its beginnings as a ball of gas. almost to the present day.

The novels slipped into oblivion. In the publisher's proof copy of Ilavannuli they are cited amongst the author's previous work. In the published version they have been excised. But the didactic streak remains. The political pundit still peeps from behind the apron strings of historian and novelist.

An Unfinished History of the World contains many a little lecture on the evils of subsidy (its contribution to the collapse of Roman corn production), the disaster of over-regulation by government (with reference to the Spanish wool industry) and the scarcity of entrepreneurs (in relation to poor Chinese exploitation of technology). If Mrs Thatcher dips selectively into her signed copy of Havannah, she will find much to appreciate there. too. On page 42, the problem of civil service overmanning: "Thirty admiralty clerks. Did you ever hear such a scandal?". On page 58, the importance of not inviting cabinet opponents to crucial committee meetings. On page 3. the misinterpretation of political calls for hard work.

Polo-for the

rich but

not the idle

Polo is not cheap and

anyone wishing to play must either be well-

heeled, have a good job

or be supported by an

indulgent parent or sponsor. If he happens

to be married, his wife

needs to be very under-

standing and long-suf-fering. Wives play an

extremely important part in polo and many

promising young players have had the terrible

choice of keeping their ponies or keeping a

wife. Some lucky ones somehow manage to

persuade their wives to keep, groom and train their ponies, but this ideal arrange-

People with money are people who can include in whims, or they are liable to sudden calls to mysterious meetings in

Caracas or Hongkong. Whims can include anything from a week's salmon lishing in

Iceland to an African salari or a girlfriend

in Mianii. The problems, therefore, of

getting a team together are formidable and

the pre-season negotiations would do credit

Should, by some remote chance, the team remain intact a certain amount of team practice should be possible. If nothing

else, there will be a lot of talk about ponies, tactics and plans all washed down with

suitable refreshment in the club house. You may well believe that after all this

pre-match activity the game itself is an anti-climax. Nothing could be further from

the truth. Hard-lipped tycoons give every sign of extreme nervousness, elderly

players with battered hats and years of experience can be seen to take a nip of something to help them along. False teeth

are put away safely and every kind of body

The match then begins and all the

previous anxiety and planning, organiza-tion and practice is put to the test in 40 minutes of flashing sticks, galloping pomes,

curses, bumps, shouts, hits to warm the

There are moments of awful realization.

The ball is overrun by the rest of the

players and there it sits rolling gently to a

standstill and all you have to do is get your

pony balanced and going in the right direction. You take a swing - and miss.

Fortunately the game goes on and something else happens before you can

think of a quick and easy way to commit

citizens may be close friends and boon

drinking companions in normal life, but in

a game they become mutton-headed dolts,

totally ignorant of the simplest rules of the

game and completely blind to monstrous

and blatant fouls committed by the

There are additional hazards in the shape of umpires. These long-suffering

heart and misses to chill the spine.

protection is litted into place.

to any Near-eastern carpet vendor.

ment is understandably rare.

The views of the Duke of Edinburgh: Part two

Whims of the rich and

the perils of progress

twentieth century". On the central issue of the justification of the 1762 xpedition he is more forthcoming.

The core of the story is the experience of the three Keppel brothers. George. 3rd Earl of Albemarle, commander of the enterprise. Augustus Keppel, the second-in-command of the fleet and William, divisional general. They set off on the hazardous trip to repair their ravaged family fortunes and came back with some £160,000. The key image is the "elms" of their country estates. The massive bias in the rewards from the trip for the senior officers - a private soldier received £4 1s 8½d - is justified because otherwise no one would ever leave his elms at all. The novel's last words have its narrator. Tom Lucksmoor, who accompanied the Cuban expedition as a young boy, looking forward to the elms he may win in his life from other foreign adventures.

"I wanted to subtitle the book The Price of Elms, but the publishers thought it too obscure. The Keppels lost their health at Havannah and founded a dynasty that is part of our heritage. We should consider such intangible benefits when we ask if the

In the closing chapters of Havannah Thomas draws a striking picture of the parliamentary debate in which the Earl of Bute, compromiser and court flatterer to George III. tramples over Pitt. Newcastle and their "take-andhold" party. "To Bute", the narrator bemoans, "the defeat of such men was far more important than the defeat of Spain.

debate on the Falklands yet", says Thomas cautiously, "but the elms that are taller as a result of that campaign will stay tall. And I don't think even Mrs Thatcher's fiercest Conservative critics would put her quite in the same league as Lord Bute.'

Havannah is published tomorrow by Lord Thomas denies that he is Hamish Hamilton, price £9.95.

making specific political points. He accepts, however, that "some of my foibles, prejudices, passions and beliefs will come out even when I am talking about the eighteenth rather than the

price is worth paying."

Before the fleet sets sail, the narrator describes the sensation of "belonging to a vast movement whose strength seemed outside the personalities of the strongest characters. The expedition was to Havannah in detail." Lucksmoor notes. "but it seemed too to constitute the grand historical adventure of the English nation". "Even with hindsight he is right to see it in that way", says Thomas, "As a matter of fact it probably would have been better for England if we had kept the Caribbean and given up India. But it is wrong to look at just the big global picture.

Of course, we haven't had that

Shouting, which is neither warning, nor instructional, nor directed at the pony, is

more or less without exception abuse.

There is really not much venom in it and

very frequently it is produced more by fright than by animosity.

The field of play is relatively large and

with only eight players it may seem thinly

populated: but collisions and falls are

meyitable. They usually happen so quickly

that the next thing you know is that you are ploughing a furrow through the turf with

your nose or lying gazing at the hospital ceiling. Eventually the bell goes for the end

and, elated or dejected, the teams ride off.

Of course, if you were fortunate enough

to win, there is the momentary adulation of

the crowd and probably the only admiring glance you are going to get from your wife

moreover...
Miles Kington

The Day of the Raj is reborn

A TV studio. Sir Robin Day sits at a desk. He is dressed in brilliant red robes, with an imposing head-dress encrusted with priceless rubies and emeralds.

Day: Hello, and welcome to Rajan's Question Time. As you know, the BBC is desperately anxious to get the licence fee doubled, and they now think that the only way to do it is to cash in on the vogue for India sweeping the media. I have my own personal feelings about this, but have been somewhat mollified at being made a rajah....

Cut to acrial film of India. We see the vast expanses of Uttar Pradesh, Mostly Pradesh and Somewhat Pradesh.)

voice-over: India, the land of teeming millions. There are three great faiths here: the Hindu religion, the worship of Buddha and the belief that Richard Attenborough will come back to make another film. Generations of westerners have come here in search of truth.

Historical film sequence showing how the East India Company was formed to look for truth and enlightenment, but un-fortunately found only jewels, spices and a lot of money. Later the British Army was formed to guard it. Major-General Hip-flask remembers those days well.)

General: I remember those days well, I went out to India in 1843 and stayed right through till 1947, during which time I learnt to say "Hurry up, damn you!" in more than 4,000 dialects. Of all the Indians it was pleasure to serve over, I think I preferred the Gurkhas. When you were in a tight spot, with your back to the wall, you always knew you could turn to Johnny Gurka and say: "What's the meaning of life all about then, eh?" I think the same is true today.

Cut to Jackie Charlton standing in a jungle clearing, wearing wellies and cap.) Chariton: Hello, well today we're going

elephant shooting. . . . There is a rustle in the undergrowth behind him. He whips round and fires. The assistant cumeraman falls out of a bush, dead, Enter Derek Cooper.)

Cooper: Hello, I'm Derek Cooper, and one of the great Indian dishes is elephant steak. This is prepared on street corners throught India, using 167 different spices, and is then flown to England where you can enjoy it at a restaurant not two minutes from this cinema.

Cut to the Taj Mahal Curry House, 235, Wandsworth Drive Road, SW33, proprietor S. Patel.)

Patel: Hello, I would like to make two things absolutely clear. One, there is no such thing as curry in India. Two, we Indians are fed up with people thinking we are all called Patel. Three, we have just closed, so clear off,

Aerial film of the wide-open spaces of India — Unar Pradesh, Absolute Pradesh, Bang-

oice-over: The BBC, rather like India, is a teeming sub-culture of many thousands of people, many of them living close to the breadline. Some of them are so poor they have to make programmes featuring only a chairman and two guests. But if the licence fee were doubled, their life could be transformed. Please give freely.

out a large beggins lowl, marked BBC. Over a roll up the opening credits. "That's the Meaning of Life and Truth! With Esther Rantzen.")

Rantzen: Hello, and today we'll be asking the question: Was the Indian Mutiny strictly necessary? We'll be investigating a man in Delhi who sells short-weight chapatis and looking at the tragic case of Gunga Din, who may have been shot in error. But first, lots of smutty jokes from Indian newspapers. Where are my young men?

Cut to aerial shots of thousands of Indians toding in the midday sun. They are all extras in a new version of Passage to India, E. M. Forster remembers writing that book very well.)

orster: Hello, I think if I'd known there was going to be this fashion for Indian things. I'd have set many more books in the teeming sub-continent. But there you are - who can tell the future? What is the meaning of life? What's it all about? Search me.

We have always tended We control



or girlfriend that day.

to assume that any discovery or invention. so long as it was conveniently laboursaving, was naturally a boon to the world and to humanity. We measure progress by the speed of aircraft or by the number of television channels on the dial. We are obsessed by our material welfare to the exclusion of all

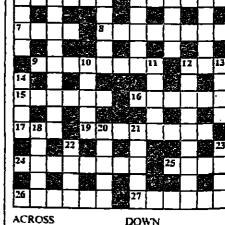
concern for the social development of mankind. We may have discovered the existence of radio sources several million light years away with an immensely clever piece of equipment, but we continue to treat each other and all the other living things on our planet in a way which is only a bare improvement on primitive man.

At least in the primitive state mankind could only do a limited amount of damage. The same will and emotions which caused primitive man to damage and destroy are still with us today with the only difference that technology has given us vastly improved means to give expression to our anger and jealousy, our pride and covetousness. We can control everything in our world except ourselves.

I want to suggest that scientific and technological progress is not only valueless. it is actively harmful, unless it is modified or directed by a social and humanitarian outlook. Scientists and engineers must also give their attention to the really serious problems facing humanity even if it means giving up some problems which seem to be more interesting or profitable. Equally the intellectual humanist can no longer pretend that science and technology are incapable of making a valuable contribution to the progress of human civilization,

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Education today: Brian Alderson on polytechnic research and Lucy Hodges describes a change in training methods

modern look at folklore

Educational research, which s Often seems to be devoted to an expensive redefinition of the obvious, has just had a modest creative success. It comes in the form of a flimsy, 20-page, full-colour children's book called The Tiger and the Woodpecker. published under the unlikely imprint of the Middlesex Poly-

The Figer and the Woodpecker is an Indian fable about ingratitude. The bird fishes a bone out of the beast's throat and thus saves him from starving to death, but the beast fails to honour a pledge to cut the bird in on his next big kill. "You're lucky I didn't eat you alive", says he. So the bird pecks one of the tiger's eyes, and when reproached for this vengeful act he remarks philosophically: "You're lucky I didn't peck out both of them"

Now the interest attaching to this cheerful tale lies not so much in its moral as in the course of events that led the Middlesex Polytechnic to publish it. For this is just one of a large storehouse of folktales which the polytechnic has been collecting through its clumpingly-titled research project on "Reading Materials for Minority Groups".

Jennie Ingham, the research fellow who has been chiefly responsible for directing the project, had the idea of investigating what traditional stories were still being told around the hearth-sides of immigrant families. Armed with notebooks, tape recorder, and a great deal of local goodwill, she set about collecting whatever stories came to hand from some of the Greek, Turkish and Asiatic residents of the north London boroughs that make up the Middlesex Polytechnic's catchment area.

Sometimes the telling was in racy modern English, sometimes it was in a vernacular that had to be translated (among the Indian languages recorded are Bengali. Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi and Urdu). Tales flowed in by the



The centre pages of The Tiger and the Woodpecker, with the text in English and Urdu

dozen, and as news of the project attractive, somewhat Wildspread, the number increased to hundreds.

But The Tiger and the Woodpecker is not just significant as an example of what this search has produced. It is also a demonstration of what can be made from the material. For Jennie Ingham was especially anxious to show that these stories might have an appeal to more people than their native audience, and this little book has been fashioned as a model for the presentation of still-current popular tales.

it was planned from the start to measure up to the standards set by such commercial series as Picture Puffins: it was given

smithy illustrations by a brandnew illustrator - Judy Cobden; its production by the polytechnic's design department incorporated a novel doublesetting of the text. Not only does the English translation appear in tandem with the original Hindi; but also the polytechnic has produced English editions linked to the languages of the six other participants in the project.

In its finished form, the book is healthy proof of the vigour that still lies in traditional tales. It is not, though, the start of a large publishing venture by an academic institution. Although Jennie Ingham now has a remarkable collection of narratives on paper, on tape and even on video, she is expecting that these will be made over to trade publishers, more accustomed to the harrowing business of book production than a polytechnic. Moreover, with this success, the funding of the project has been continued.

A considerable investment, especially of time, had been made in the gathering and the multiple translation of these stories, and the thought naturally arose that equivalent material was present beyond the borders of Haringey and Barnet. (And who is to say that Geordie tales should not figure as significantly as Gujarati ones?) In consequence, some different research free.

is on hand to find out ways and means of setting up a National Community Folktale Centre, where the results of work like this can be deposited, codified, and brought into a relationship with other folklore studies. Put like that, it sounds a shade dusty, but The Tiger and the Woodpecker is a token that, so far as Jennie Ingham is concerned, it is the life of the tales that comes

The Tiger and the Woodpecker, retold by Aruna Adjitsaria and illustrated by Judy Cobden, is available from the Middlesex Polytechnic at 114 Chase Side. London N14 5PN. Price £1 post

New lessons for headteachers

eign rulers, virtually unchallenged by parent, teacher or child, and able to run their schools without too much hard thought or official interference.

Until the 1970s the buthrate was rising, so they knew their pupils would keep on coming. Britain's economic performance was not yet a cause for earnest discussion. No one seemed too concerned about whether children were learning the right things or to a required standard Consensus reigned in the education world.

Now all has changed. Today: headteachers are beset with challeng-cs. Apart from their traditional responsibilities, such as choosing staff and arranging the timetable they have to do a lot more.

One of their most important tasks. is to communicate at a range of levels. One minute they will be reprimanding or comforting a child in trouble, the next trying to persuade staff to innovate. They have to wheedle money out of a tight-fisted local authority, persuade parents to send their children to that particular school, head off an inquiring governor or answer questions from the local newspaper.

The beleaguered headteacher has pecome accountable. He or she is having to look outside the school and address a wide and predominantly ill-informed audience. It is not an enviable task, and it is not surprising that headteachers need help with it.

That is why Sir Keith Joseph, the Education Secretary, has announced – under pressure from the Secondary Heads Association - the setting up of a national centre in Bristol for training headteachers, and the injection of £6m over the next three years into the training of heads and senior staff.

Courses are now running throughout the country. The one I went on, in Cambridge, was for primary heads organized by the Institute of Education in conjunction with five local education authorities, Essex. Norfolk, Suffolk, Hertfordshire and Cambridgeshire.

I wanted not only to get a feel of the courses but also to find out about the headteacher's job. The group of 17 were on a one-term course in which they were learning about the structure of local government, national issues in education

and, significantly, how companies

One of their tasks was to visit a school interview the head and discover what he or she saw as the role of the head, deputy head and other staff with responsibilities. This uniocked a can of wooms at one infants, school in East Anglia whose head complained that her deputy and the rest of the stall opposed her at every opportunity, refusing to do-dinner duties. The deputy, it transpired, had applied for the headship but failed to get it.

This head had stuck a piece of leather over the keyhole of her office door because she thought the deputy was eavesdropping on her conver-sation. She also locks all her drawers after having found the deputy rooting through her cupboards in search of books.

Another head was told: "I'll see you off the premises as I have seen off two other heads." Mr Howard Bradley, director of the Cambridge institute, said most schools contain a fifth column which opposes the

But staff can be brought round and major changes can be wrought. With one of the heads on the course. I visited a middle school in Norwich whose energetic new head John

Knowles, advocates corporate management. The school had been neglected previously, he said. "Prohlems of communication were rife because it was run on the basis of rumour and what the children. wanted to do, i have now got a

In a matter of 10 weeks he had secured agreement for an £20,000 modernization programme- for the school buildings, he had got rid of two teachers and was hoping two more would go, he had introduced corporate management, and a new curriculum was being drawn up for each subject.

It had been heavy going. "But too many of us are prepared to sit back and not fight. Staff development and training for teachers is vital. There is still strong support here for the old style of head who stays in his office and doesn't involve himself.

"But there is a growing feeling that the head needs to be around and about the school, needs to teach. to develop teachers' management and teaching skills and to organia: a structure for when he is not there."

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ALAN FRANKS' DIARY

The little plighter does it again

she is to be married in the is that Richard, charitably spring. Early matrimony is described by his teachers as disaffection, and since the plighted his troth to three other combined years of the bride and girls between the ages of four groom amount to ten, there are clearly two very disturbed our road. I foresee the first real households (one of them is test of liberal parenthood. mine) in the Richmond area. Three days to go until the There is also the pressing Parent/Teacher Association question of where the young couple will live, how they will are guilt-inducing affairs, even meet the mortgage repayments. hefore they take place. There is who will go out to work and no limit to the amount of who stay in full-time education. voluntary work one could Since job opportunities for undertake in the way of breadchildren have never really huntering, har-manning and recovered since Victorian times, tacket-selling. Here has the some sort of parental subsidy, public face of Good Parenthood, seems inescapable.

The groom-to-be is named names and dads wax very ichard He is very well grown competitive when it comes to Richard. He is very well grown for his age and should have no scoring Brownic points in this problems getting a job with the council's parks department. In one sense the boy is quite a shiggard.

tempting a role, He, meanwhile, armful into the cupboard under Mrs P Maitlandt catch, as his father is something New light on the marriage has grabbed the most influential the stairs, soiled baby gear is pall of corruption part, and will be stamped into the brimming bin. innocent gathering.

My daughter announces that see it, one of the main problems and six, one of whom lives in

> Parent/Teacher Association dance in the church hall. These and I have often suspected that

department. I treely admit that these are the sour grapes of the



technicality than it sounds, for were it the other way round, his hand. then apparently custom would dictate that she go and live with his family. As it is we get him. As far as I am concerned this is far too literal a form of not son, and I trust he will very soon be shown up for the trainee bigamist he is.

I might have guessed. Petranellu, now four months pregnant, and my horrible lawyer friend Parvis Maitland are in the forefront of PTA activism. Everyone knows she should be tuking it cusy (she has told them so herself), but martyrdom to public service has proved too

rather he who is marrying her. is a classic piece of type-casting. This is a more important given that he loves to hold the fortunes of others in the palm of

A letter with a Beckenham postmark. No prizes for guessing the authorship. It comes from Great Aunt Sylvia, who is losing a daughter but gaining a threatening to visit. It would be quite wrong to attach any hopes of enjoyment to these occasions, and so I have long given up doing so. Within the spectrum of social functions they occupy a place somewhere between an auditors' tour and a Combined Cadet Force inspection day. Shortly before her arrival - by which I mean

We all know that these visits are really nothing more than fact-finding missions from which damning data can be garnered and then rediffused to the far-flung arms of the extended family, the better to champion Old Values. So why do we bother to play along? suspect that if I knew, wouldn't be writing this.

To the PTA dance, Now, I know very well that the current state of popular music falls into disrepair when you reach the age of from being deeply puzzled by the performance of the home-grown band, Kandi and the Cassettes. They are churning out a terrible posi-punk cacophony from the dais, yet somehow it seems to be getting through to a quartet of grandparents over in the far-corner of the hall. Beneath the blurred decibels and the feedback yowling from the bank of speakers, they have discovered a thythm to which they can do the Charleston.

Parvis Maitland is praying stience for the raffle draw. My goodness, he loves the sound of his own voice. He dunks his fat fist into the drum and draws out ticket number 365. Who should minutes rather than days - step up beaming for the broken toys are scooped by the magnum of champagne, but armful into the cupboard under Mrs P Maitland! Suddenly a pall of corruption falls on this

o woman's Peel shrimps, Finely chop their meat and set it aside. PARFUM 1 Only Woman's Journal has it

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An expensive taste, but well worth it

Three pence a pint is what Isabella Beeton reckoned to spend on making oxial soup. and she did not stint on the ingredients.

One-hundred and twenty-live years, later, oxiails cost 89p a water, and leave them to soak at £1.38 per pint. It is neither cheap nor quick to make. But it is worth every penny.

The finished soup should be

quite fatless. And as oxiail is a very fatty cut of meat, this is most easily achieved by allowing the soup to become cold enough for the fat to solidify, so that it can be lifted off. This means starting the soup the day, the red wine to the oxtail and before it is needed, which boil it on a high heat until the improves the taste too.

Oxtail soup Serves four to six

1.35kg (3lbs) oxtail cut in 5cm/2in lengths 4 tablespoons beef dripping

680g (11/2 (bs) onlons, chopped 300ml (12 pint) red wine 2.25 litres (4 pints) beef broth or

Salt and freshly ground black

1 stick cinnamon 2 bay leaves

4 tablespoons dry sherry

Put the oxtail pieces in a howl, cover them with cold pound and my recipe works out for at least an hour. Rinse and dry them well. Melt the dripping in a frying

pan and when it is hot brown the oxtail quickly on all sides. Transfer the meat to a large heavy pan. Add the onion to the frying pan and reduce the heat. Cook the onion until it is transparent and almost tender. While the onion is frying add

wine has reduced to a few spoonfuls. Now add the onions to the oxtail and the broth or water. Season lightly with salt and pepper and add the cinnamon, bay leaves and peel, Simmer, uncovered, until the meat is falling off the bones about four hours.

Strain the soup into a large bowl or a clean pan. Allow the extail to cool a little, then carefully pick off all the lean meat. Discard the bones and gristle. Chop the meat finely and return it to the soup Allow. and return it to the soup. Allow the soup to become completely cold so that the fat solidifies on its surface. It can then be removed and discarded.

Just before serving, reheat the soup (there should be about 2 litres/3½ pints). Adjust the seasoning and add the sherry. Classic French onion soup is another dish that is satisfying enough to be almost a meal in itself. But there is no point in 55g (202s) butter

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Shona Crawford Poole

rying to make it in a tearing hurry. Although the ingredients could not be simpler - onions. butter, stock or water, bread and cheese - the way the onions are cooked very slowly at the beginning is what gives the soup its special sweetness. A whole panful of thinly sliced onion rings is cooked slowly in butter until they are meltingly tender and only then, on a slightly higher heat, are they allowed to caramelize enough to give the soup its distinctive taste and rich colour. At this stage the caramel, which is not the idea at

French onion soup Serves four 900g (2lbs) large onions 1.2 htres (2 pints) beef stock or 30g (1oz) butter water

Salt and freshly ground black 4 or 8 slices of French bread about 1cm (1/3 inch) thick

4 or 8 tablespoons finely grated Gruyère and Parmesan che mixed

Peel the onions and slice them thinly in rings. Melt the butter in a large saute or frying pan and add all the onions. Cook them, covered, on a low heat for about 30 minutes, or until they are very tender. Then raise the heat and remove the lid. Cook the

onions, stirring frequently, until they are a rich golden brown, but still soft and on no account crisp. This will probably take a further 30 minutes or so. Add the stock, bring to the boil and simmer the soup for about 15 minutes. Skim off the fat and scason to taste with salt and pepper. The soup is finished by

floating the bread on its surface. in an ideal world shrimp bisque would always be made with freshly caught raw shrimps. Sadly these are not a commodity that everyone has access to. The cooked and frozen shrimps still in their onions must be watched carefully because if they brown too
darkly the soup will be flavoured with bitter, burnt (or not as the case may be) and sell loose, will probably have to do. Double or treble the quantities to serve four or six.

1 small onion, finely chopped . 1 small carrot, finely chopped 1 tablespoon cognac 4 tablespoons white wine

450ml (¼ pint) light fish stock or Salt and freshly ground black bebber

1 sprig thyme 2 or 3 sprigs of parsley 4 tablespoons of double cream 1 egg yolk

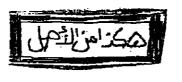
Break up the shells, heads and all, with a pestle and mortar, grinding them very finely. Melt the butter in a heavy pan and add the onion, carrot and pounded shells. Cook on a low heat, stirring frequently, for

about 10 minutes. Stir in the cognac, wine, fish stock or water, a little salt and pepper and the thyme and parsley. Bring to the boil and simmer the soup for a further 10 minutes 10 minutes.

Pass the soup through a fine sieve into a clean pan, or line sieve into a clean pan, or line any sieve with muslin or cheesecloth and pass the liquid through it to remove all the pieces of shell. Add the finely chopped shrimp meat and heat it through

it through.

Stir the egg yolk into the cream and stir this liason into the hot, but not boiling, soup. Heat it carefully without boiling until the soup thickens a little. Check the seasoning and serve it immediately.



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The puck stops here

Ice hockey players are not noted for their gentleness and tolerance, but Norway's unsuccessful Olympic team seem to have taken things a bit far even for a sport that thrives on violence. Drowning their sorrows in a Sarajevo restaurant, the Norwegians got into an argument over the bill, with the result that manager Gier Myhre threw a punch at netminder Jim Martinsen, who cracked his head against a table and had to be taken nome on a stretcher. The penalty suggested by sports authorities in Norway - where alcohol is controlled by a state monopoly - is that their internationals should be banned from drinking while abroad. It sounds like typical Scandinavian overkill, until you realize that what the players were fighting over was a mere seven kroner (about 50p).

Despite conciliatory noises from Buenos Aires, our lads in the Falklands remain resolutely alert. The other day an unidentified blip appeared on the radar and was promptly dispatched. It turned out to be a large bird. I hope it wasn't an

Royal touch

Alan Eden-Green, who retired recently as director of the Industry and Parliament Trust, has been appointed the first honorary fellow of the trust, which exposes peers and MPs to the realities of industrial life through studying courses culminating in fellowships. Eden-Green's response was rather more parliamentary than industrial. At a House of Lords dinner he presented Lord Irving, chairman of the trustees with a gavel and block made of oak from panelling in the old Commons and set in mahogany from the most exclusive room in the Lords - the sovereign's lavatory.

By proxy

Sir John Junor, editor of the Sunday Express, has missed the opportunity to crown his long and distinguished career with the rectorship of his alma mater, Glasgow University. Apparently the great man was too busy to sign the letter of consent for his nomination and left that task to one of his minions. The rules require a personal signature, however, so Sir John's nomination has been declared invalid. The remaining nominees are Yassir Arafat; the comedian Rikki Fulton; Matthew Lygate, who recently ended a 12year jail sentence for bank robbery on behalf of the Scottish Workers' Republican Army; the Lord Provost of Glasgow. Dr Michael Kelly; Jeffrey Archer and Menzies Campbell, former Scottish Liberal chairman and Olympic sprinter.

Lingua franca

On one thing at least, the recently warring Sinhalese and Tamils of Sri Lanka can agree - the value of the English language. Last week, three seminars on the role of English in Sri Lankan life, organized by the English-Speaking Union, drew capacity crowds and speakers from all communities on the beautiful but sometimes troubled island. Then on Monday, President Jayawardene. patron of the island's ESU branch set up two years ago, gave his approval to an ESU-sponsored programme of English teaching throughout the country, particularly in rural areas. The ESU now hopes sensitive island, Malta, where it is in contact with Dom Mintoff with a view to setting up a branch.

BARRY FANTONI



'Good thing this isn't Britain - we'd be arrested for kerb crawling'

Cooking the books Chefs are falling over their pots and pans to join in a tribute at the Royal

Pavilion, Brighton, this summer to Antoine Carème, born 200 years ago on June 8. Carême who cooked for Napoleon, Talleyrand, the emperors of Austria and Russia and our own Prince Regent - is regarded as the father of modern French cuisine. The idea of a Brighton banqueting weekend to celebrate his bicentenary was conceived by an American, David Segal, a visiting professor at Oxford and collector of historic cookbooks. Invitations to the leading chefs of France were sent by Anton Mosimann of the Dorchester, and the response has been "terrific" Among those expected are Michel Guerard, Alain Saenderens, Paul Bocuse and Roger Verge. The Parisian pâtissier Gaston Lenôtre will model a sugar statue and Michel Roux, Britain's own meilleur ourrier de France in pâtisserie plans to recreate some 15 of Careme's famous 5ft high pièces montées castles of cold buffet. It should, says Segal, be "as photogenic as all hell".

PHS | French meubles. In both Yorkshire

Caliban lives. I deduce this from the caliban lives. I deduce this from the goings-on at the Royal Festival Hall and its two adjacent concert-rooms, the Queen Elizabeth Hall and Purcell Room; all three are owned by the GLC, as the heirs of the LCC which built them, and not long ago the rulers of the GLC sacked the manager and took over the direct

running of the halls themselves. One of the earliest fruits of the change was the scandal of the Soviet propaganda exhibition staged there (at a peppercorn rent); when the details were being worked out, the GLC did not even insist on being allowed to stage a reciprocal exhibition in Moscow, so eager were they to let Londoners know that the Soviet Union is a peace-loving democracy, brimming over with freedom, prosperity and scrupulous concern for the neighbours. (Mind you, a GLC-sponsored exhibition about us would probably have depicted little but accounts of the

oppressed wage-slaves in today's Britain and of their struggle to obtain the vote and the right to form trade unions, with huge oil-paintings by Mr Michael Meacher of the said wage-slaves being batoned by police wearing swastika armbands.) Ever since, the GLC has been

resisting, by evasion and delay, any attempt to let Londoners see the other side of the argument, and even now, when they have at last made a half-hearted apology for the Soviet show, they have made it clear that they will not permit any serious or general criticism of the Soviet Union on premises under their control; their only concession is to allow a group working on behalf of Jews who wish to leave the Soviet Union to participate in an Amnesty International exhibition.

At the same time, the new rule at the RFH has brought some substan-tial improvements - the very attractive liveliness that the foyers now display, largely owing to the outstanding service provided in the buffets by the new caterers, and the improved box office arrangements. (There are the usual rubbishy souvenirs" on sale, of course, but even these are more than set off by the excellent bookshop.)

All the same, whatever happens in the surroundings of a concert-hall, good or bad or both, it will and must be judged by what happens inside it. So far, nothing very different has taken place; the GLC have put on various performances and exhibitions in furtherance of their political beliefs (though none, of course, furthering contrary views), but the music remains much the same. As far as I know, there have Bernard Levin: the way we live now

And in the blue corner, Monty Verdi

programmes contain more of the works of Alan Bush or loyal contemporary Soviet composers, nor has anybody hinted that putting on performances by Rostropovich, Ashkenazy and other defectors from their glorious Soviet fatherland will be looked on askance. I think I detect a slight tendency to dilute the contents of programmes with a higher proportion of very familiar works, but that, if it is happening, could well be defended (if, indeed, it needs to be defended at all) as sensible commercial practice by the

Now, however, Caliban has emerged from his lair, blinking at the light and mumbling his watch-word: elitist. Mr Peter Pitt, chairthing of the GLC committee under whose auspices the South Bank halls are run, has determined that "We want more working class and black audiences". It is a laudable desire, and he is not the first to feel it, the WEA and many similar organizations were conceived in the same spirit. But there is one great, and terrible, difference between the pioneers of art for the masses and the present attitude of the GLC. The former wanted - it was, in many cases, the mainspring of their existence - to illumine the lives of the poor, the uneducated, the despairing, by making sure that they had cheap access to the best that art and craft had created throughout the ages. The wiser among these pioneers knew that those who availed themselves of what was offered would always be a minority, as indeed they have always been a minority among the rich, the educated and the confident; but the pioneers, from William Morris to Arnold Wesker, as they laboured in this field, have always preferred to light candles rather than curse the darkness.

But they never wanted to burn people with the candles. Mr Pitt says "I don't think many people from my constituency of Hounslow go to the South Bank". If not, it is a pity, but it is a pity because the musical glories to be found on the South Bank - at, incidentally, ludicrously low prices (£2.80 for the Missa Solemnis under Haitink, £1.50 for Ida Haendel playing the Beethoven Violin Concerto, £2.30 for Bach's St. John Passion) — would enrich the lives of the people of Hounslow, or even the life of Mr Pitt, just as much as they enrich mine. Mr Pitt is not willing to go out

and persuade his constituents to try

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a spot of Chopin, Mozart and other long-haired intellectuals. No, his approach can be understood from the following statement of his credo: There are class and race institutionalized barriers here that need to be broken". Before a claim as mad and pitiful as that (what West Indian, what labourer, has ever been refused service at the RFH Box Office, or sneered at by the white toffs in the next seat?), Beethoven himself would have been tempted to erase the bit about Seid umschlungen, Millionen in the Ninth Symphony. But Mr Pitt's intention, which might well have struck Goering as a bit extreme, is now clear. If the masses will not go to art, so much the worse for art. Delenda est Carthago.

Therefore, it is announced, we are to have wrestling and snooker at the Festival Hall; parallel delights are being devised for the QEH and the Purcell Room. When the four principal symphony orchestras were asked to think of ways to increase South Bank audiences, the manage-ment of the Royal Philharmonic suggested bussing in factory workers, and the LPO proposed to add the Festival Hall to the Albert Hall as a venue for its industrial concerts. But such plans were rejected, and soon the grunts and groans of the judo-artists will mingle with the click of the balls on the green baize, in place of the sounds that South Bank audiences since 1951 and indeed audiences all over the world for half

a thousand years, have been used to. Well, well, we must move with the times. But we need not move with them before expressing our opinion of them. The contempt of the far left for the people whose interests they claim to have at heart in notorious. At election-time the workers have been "brainwashed by the media"; at public libraries they cannot be trusted to reject distasteful attitudes, so books containing these must be censored off the shelves, in their trade unions they might vote the wrong way if they had secret ballots for their officials, so they must not be allowed to have such ballots; in the Festival Hall foyer they might form views unfavourable to the Soviet Union if such views are on offer there, so offer them access to favourable ones only; and upstairs in the auditorium let them be content with the pig-swill that is all they deserve or are capable of

enjoying.

Surely this must be the only era in history, other than that of Nazi Germany, in which excellence is not something to admire and strive for. to encourage and to share, but something to hate and mock, to root out and destroy. In education, the whole thrust of the left is to pull down anything that might set standards for emulation. In housing, the local authority that insists that all front doors must be the same colour is driven by the same hunger for uniformity among the masses. In politics, the growing intolerance on the left - displayed in the hounding out of Labour MPs who will not toe the new line and the shouting down of any opposing voice at meetings has reached epidemic proportions. And in art, anything that has provided for human beings, and can still provide, a literally infinite breadth and depth of beauty, passion, enlightenment, understanding, inspiration and balm is "elitist",

and must be rejected.

Caliban lives indeed; and he was always averse to seeing his face in the mirror. But now he has people to smash the mirror for him, and the seven years' bad luck that breaking a entails will be borne by the rest of us. And paid for by us, too; the Festival Hall interior will have to be practically rebuilt for an evening of wrestling or snooker, all at prodigious cost. But Caliban now has unlimited access to our money, and unlimited willingness to spend it for his own dark ends. Art on the South Bank, it seems, may have to go into exile, like the government of a nation subjugated by tyranny, until the GLC is swept away and the free republic of true civilization restored.

Phillip Whitehead

Mrs Thatcher's leg before

year Mrs Thatcher was cornered by her daughter Carol for a frank and fearless interview. Part of it went like this:

Carol: "Do you ever find the limitations and restrictions on normal things you can do too much to bear?"

Mrs T: "Not too much to bear. No. one just has to get used to it. You know that if I go shopping it's not a quiet operation. Carol: "That's for sure."

Mrs Thatcher's shopping trip to Oman - selling, not buying - was not a quiet operation either, to her distress. As she sees it, she "batted for Britain" with the Omanis. She was briefed to raise three possible areas of involvement in Sultan Qaboos's university project. She did so. Her personal style means that she is seen as an effective sales-woman for British enterprise abroad, and a guarantor of the consequent expenditure at home if the orders come in. No harm in that. Was there any harm in Mr Mark

Thatcher also being on the scene. with a financial interest in the firm principally involved? Why should there be public disquiet about that? Is Mr Thatcher's consultancy, like his sister's journalism, any more than the deployment of modest talents to maximum advantage, in ways which are no concern of Downing Street? The Prime Minister would answer

all these questions in the negative. She is fiercely protective of her family. It conflicts with what is otherwise one of her most formidable features, which even her political opponents respect; her devastating candour. Only on this issue has the candour vanished. She has clammed up instead. In doing so she has turned the Omani affair from a small distraction to a major irritant. In all honesty, she should think again. All prime ministers know that there are limitations to what their immediate family can do, which they transgress at their peril.

No one is suggesting that Mrs Thatcher goes out of her way to secure business commissions for her son. She may have been as surprised as her officials when he turned up in Oman in April 1981. But it strains credulity to believe that she did not ask him what he was doing there, and thus knew the connexion with Cementation or its subsidiaries. when the firm was the only British bidder for the university contract which she was discussing with Sultan Qaboos. This link with Cementation was subsequently de-nied in the face of strenuous press inquiries, until Mr Thatcher himself confirmed it in the The Sunday

The reason for such reticence, and the level or levels of his involvement, remain unclear, as does the financial rewards which accrued. But it does not really matter whether Mr Thatcher was paid £3,000 or £300,000 for his role as a fixer. Had

In a quiet moment on June 9 last he been a consultant engineer on the project, or an academic on second. ment at a later stage, his precise role and salary could have been estatiished. Because they are not, rumour

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The Prime Minister and her advisers have dismissed the matter in two terse letters to Mr Peter Shore. The letters say merely that she did not mention Cementation by name, or any other company, in Oman. In the context, there was no other company involved. There is no allegation of discrimination in favour of Cementation. The question is rather about Cementation's unpublicized and temporary cm ployee. I cannot believe that the Prime Minister misunderstands it.

It is this: what should British ministers, at home or abroad, do when they are pushing for contracts - however valuable to Britain - if they know, or discover, that a close relative stands to gain? It is not a question which evaporates if the close relative turns up unasked and unexpected.

The answer should be unequivocal, unless we wish to slip into the habits of less scrupulous climes. Caesar's son should be above suspicion. Public interest requires its ruthless separation from private gain, however that sets apart the family connexions, even discrimi-nates against them. The proper course for Mrs Thatcher, when her egregious son turned up in Oman would have been to send him packing, with the advice that he should earn his money elsewhere. He has time enough. When his mother's active political career is over he will still no doubt grace many a board as Viscount Grantham. But no action was taken in 1981. What happened eventually got

less hubristic administration than this one now is would have limited the damage. There could have been a straightforward explanation from Mark Thatcher, and an acknowledgment from Downing Street that if there had been any error or misunderstanding a clear statement of principle on family links and conflict of interests would clear it up for the future. No one believes that the Prime Minister is either a fool or a knave. She knows that limitations and restrictions attach to her office. She may resent the fact that her

son's and her husband's business deals are matters of public interest, and that they occasionally surface in a froth of unfavourable publicity. No prime minister for the past 50 years has been in this position with regard to his closest relations, living at Downing Street. There has to be a ring fence between what they do, as private individuals, and what she does, in her office of state. That requires the private deployment of that candour and courage which have been part of Mrs Thatcher's political style. Without it the unease will continue.

Jock Bruce-Gardyne

The incidentals that all add up

Last week's annual report from HMG has had a rather indifferent press. Worse than it deserved, I thought. True, a lot of asset sales are called in aid to close the gap between taxes and expenditure, and the Commons Treasury Committee and it is not alone - thinks they should not be. True, the assump-tions about the public sector wage bill look optimistic. True, also, that local authority spending is set to shrink to an extent that defies all recent experience.

But against all that the Chancellor and the Chief Secretary have built in large reserves for error. Given a rise in output and tax revenues at a much more modest rate than what is presently in prospect, the Chancellor should still have room to cut our taxes or his borrowing, or both, in years to come.

However, like Robin Cook on this

page yesterday I have been looking at the White Paper to see what it tells us about longer-term trends. Not sharing the exasperation of Mr Cook, and others, at the Treasury's well-known inability to spot the difference between current spending and "productive investments" like Concorde and the Humber Bridge, I have concentrated on some of the less expected items. Compared with this Government's first spending plans back in 1980 we find that they are expecting their cash needs to have grown by 35 per cent by next April. So that is the mean. There are naturally wide disparities around it. It is small wonder, for example, that Mrs Thatcher should be casting a beady eye on the Ministry of Agriculture. On the latest predictions, by this time next year the cost of its programmes will have gone up by 50 per cent in five years (and the bill for 1984/85 is now expected to be almost 25 per cent higher than the Treasury thought it would be only 12 months ago). The bulk of this, needless to say, is directly attributable to EEC farm support.

But we cannot blame Brussels for the even bigger rise - 56 per cent in the cost of research and advisory services. If these are worth having surely they should be worth paying for by those who use them. At the top of the heap are social

security, law and order, and defence. Those of us in jobs should not begrudge the fact that the bill for the victims of the structural changes in our economy is expected to have risen one and a half times since

Correction

The presidential election in El Salvador is on March 25, not February 25, as 1980; and law and order and defence are Conservative priorities endorsed by the electorate. But the rise in the pay element at the Home Office - 38 per cent over a period during which the public sector wage bill is expected to have grown by 27 per cent - looks generous. And what are we to make of legal aid?

The other day that leading luminary of the solicitors' profession. Sir David Napley, told us that "almost every informed person considers that actions for defamation should be brought within the ambit of legal aid. They are not, because of the misguided belief... that the inclusion of defamation would involve an unwarranted increase in state expense".

The layman, confronted with the revelation that the cost of legal aid is expected to have risen by 70 per cent in five years, and reading that Sir David's own bill for the ratepayers of West Yorkshire after the Helen Smith inquest ran to £164 an hour (including what he calls a markup" of £82 an hour), might be inclined to pray that the Treasury may stay misguided.

Another unconsidered trifle that does not come cheap is democracy. By next April, the mother of Parliaments is forecast to be costing £71m a year to run - an increase of almost two thirds in five years. Whether the nation feels itself to be two thirds better represented must be a matter of subjective judgment

Then there is "overseas aid and other overseas services". Judging by the regular denunciations of this government's miserly attitude to its international obligations, one would expect expenditure under this heading to be on a swiftly shrinking scale. Not so: it is expected to have grown by 41 per cent. Once again payments to the EEC figure largely. but aid proper is up by more than a quarter and the cost of overseas representation has soared by almost 60 per cent. That seems a lot, when all allowance has been made for unfavourable exchange rate move-

Nor is the health service very obviously the Cinderella that its lobbyists declare it to be. By the end of the next financial year its current spending (after allowing for charges) is scheduled to have risen by 36 per cent. The real growth stock here is the family practitioner service, which will cost us half as much again as it did at the beginning of the decade. Let us hope the GPs' pay review board bears that in mind when it considers the BMA's request for a 17 per cent pay increase next

Iran's classroom cannon fodder As the Gulf war

continues its savage course, Richard Dowden reports on the toll of children sent into battle for the greater glory of Khomeini

The United Nations mission due in Iran and Iraq later this week to assess civilian damage in the Gulf war will be bombarded with propaganda from both pot and kettle. Each side has declared it will stop shelling and bombing the other's civilian areas - a militarily wasteful activity - but there is no doubt that they would resume the attacks if they feared that failure to deliver tit-for-tat revenge might

appear as weakness. Neither Saddam Husain of Iraq nor Ayatollah Khomeini of Iran has shown much regard for the sanctity of human life. The Gulf war is essentially about the political careers of these two men. Who falters, dies. Both must keep fighting to survive politically. But neither side has yet had the strength to win, so for three and a half years soldiers and sometimes civilians have been fed into the war machine in their thousands.

In October 1982 an Iraqi major in the front line near Khanaquin told me. "The Iranians send in waves of children. They use them instead of tactics.

"We captured 34 of them just south of here. The youngest was about eight. He cried for his mother. The troops were shocked when they discovered they had been killing children. I have never captured an Iranian officer. They force the children to clear the minefields".

In a Tehran hospital a year later i met children like those the major had spoken of, some of them possibly the victims of his artillery. Ward after ward was filled with rows of young men lying quietly, some with eyes closed, others staring at the ceiling, legs or arms in traction, chests or heads bandaged.

There are no precise figures, but casualties on both sides could total half a million. In that hospital you could feel that monstrous oblivion

of lives.
Abusa Rajabzarda, at 20, was one of the older ones. Two days before a bullet had passed through his pelvis, smashing his spinal cord. "I had gone forward to defuse a mine - I had two sharp sticks for finding them." Was that the usual method?

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marbles a stage further. The question is: how do we come to say

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ing that these marbles are an

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from Baife's The Bohemian Girl.

lower down the body?



That is the way we find the mines, by pressing the sticks into the ground. Then the bullet hit me." Ghasam Ardastani, much young-

er, was in the Basij, the Islamic volunteer force. His leg had been shattered by shrapnel at the battle for Panjevin. He said he had been at the front a year and had lost about 15 friends in that time. What did his mother feel about it? "My mother is happy for me to go." What would he do when he left hospital? "I want to go back to the front.

Akbar Sworavora, also a volun-teer, was barely 15 when he went to the front. He had been in hospital for 13 months. He was carrying a rocket launcher when he was hit in both legs. One had been amputated; the other was infected.

Although children are obviously involved, it may be more accurate to say that the Iranian government allows them to fight rather than forces them. The Khomeini regime is loath to stand in the way of a young man who wants to go to heaven, and death at the front is martydom for the cause of Islam, meriting instant salvation.

It is also clear that tactics differ little from the western front offensives of the First World War. Large numbers of lightly equipped troops, often the young volunteers,

push forward in waves two or three hundred at a time, only sometimes preceded by an artillery bombardment and rarely given air cover.

I also saw evidence in the hospitals that Saddam Husain is playing dirty. I, and a number of British doctors visiting Tehran, were convinced that Iraq is using some form of mustard gas. As one diplomatic source said, "It is far more effective than a lethal agent; it fills hospital beds, affects people who handle victims, forces the enemy to spend large sums on protective clothing but disperses from the battlefield quickly enough to allow the users to take territory.

There were civilian casualties in the hospital wards too. A 15-yearold girl from Gilangarb had been walking home from school with friends last October when they saw six airplanes. "We thought they were Iranian, but then three of them started shooting at the streets and three dropped bombs. My sister and two others were killed." She lay with both legs in plaster, her face and

Other visitors to Iran have been shown towns heavily damaged by Soviet-built short-range Scud B missiles. One lurid pamphlet produced by the Iranians contains photograph of dismembered bodies of children at a school at Behbahan said to have been hit by a missile last October. Saddam Husain wants a short sharp punch below the belt which he

claims to believe will make Iranians see sense and reject Khomeini. Khomeini wants a long war which will keep his revolution at boiling point at home, wear out Iraq resources and encourage the Iraqis to rise up and overthrow Saddam

In fact each leader is far more secure than the other likes to pretend. Nothing short of natural death or assassination will fundamentally change the leadership of either country.

Both speak the language of Armageddon from time to time; Iraq threatening to bomb Kharg Island and Iran threatening to close the Gulf. These dire warnings gain prominence because at least they provide something new to say about the war, but military and political analysis tend to dismiss them as rhetoric. Neither side has yet been able to cut or even grasp the other's jugular.

Meanwhile the young men slog it out on the barren battlefields, and this week the graveyards and hospitals of both countries will again be overflowing with the victims.

New words for old, by Philip Howard

No, I'm still chairy

and Lancashire an elderly person who is still with-it can be said to have all his/her chairs at 'ome. The suggested scenario goes like

this. Lancashire woman emigrates to Canada and marries French Canadian. The scene is probably set in Quebec. Lancashire woman comments to a friend that she has all her chairs at home. Friend subsequently behaves in foolish manner. Husband, with imperfect command of Lancashire idiom, says that friend seems to have lost her meubles.

In support of this theory we can

the shilling, "he hasn't got everything in the cupboard." The meubles explanation is ingenious, charming, and I don't believe a word of it. It is too tidy by half. The London slang for somebody

who has lost his marbles used to be that he had a screw loose, or was not quite the ticket. My impression is that both these phrases sound oldfashioned today. A more recent American idiom says that he is not playing with a full deck. The most modern slang for the condition is that somebody has toys in the attic. It comes from the Rockspeak of the

There's not a lot of bottle in such etymological speculations. Which brings us back to that puzzling bottle, which is such a vogue slang phrase at present. This is partly brought about by the Milk Market ing Board's advertising campaign about gotta lotta bottle. As often, the slang is not new, but

a revival, which has slightly modified its meaning. In The Swell's Night Guide, published in 1846, "no bottle" is defined as meaning no good or useless, with this example: She thought it would be no bottle, cos her rival would go in a buster. Today bottle is used to mean something like courage or firmness or resolve. To have a lot of bottle is to have what used to be described as a lot of spunk. But whence the bottle, and wherefore? More rhyming slang, would you say? If so, what

cite the German slang about somebody who is lacking a penny in is the rhyme? teenage revolution. stated yesterday.

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The Multinational Force is no more. Britain's gallant hundred were whisked out of Beirut on the very first day of the present fighting. Now the Italians have gone, making the victory sign (victory?), and the Americans are on their way to the ships. The French alone are holding out for a UN force to replace them, but even they have given up support-ing President Gemayel. "France is always on the winning side," say the Christians bitterly.

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It was all a misunderstanding really. The West went into Beirut thinking it would be accepted as a neutral force to hold the ring. Instead it found itself lumbered with the role of protector of Maronite power, engaged in a trial of wills with the Syrians and their allies which it never stood any chance of winning. If Israel with its much more immediate interest in Lebanon had found the going too rough, what chance was there that states a thousand or more miles away, which did not know what they were fighting for or indeed whether they were supposed to be fighting at all, would stay the course?

So Syria and Israel are left alone with the Lebanese. Israel has washed its hands of the Gemayel family, no longer seeks or believes in a strong and friendly Lebanese state, but remains acutely apprehensive about the consequences of a Syrian victory. Syria, having got rid of the Multinational Force without making a single concession, may now believe it can do the same to the Israelis.

Certainly Israeli ambitions in Lebanon are much reduced. Mr Shamir no longer speaks of simultaneous Syrian withdrawal, only of improved security arrangements on Israel's northern border - arrangements he expects to make with local forces rather than with a new govern-

the architect of Israel's Lebanese guarantees of security for its policy in its post-Sharon phase. standing with the Shia community in the south which, he points out, shares Israel's interest in preventing the return of the Palestinian guerrillas, and of which (he says) the pro-Khomeini extremists are only a fraction. It appears that Israel is also seeking to strengthen the credible, would have to be Christian element in the south by encouraging Christian villagers to move down there, away from the fighting in the Beirut region.

Farther north, Israel still counts on the Druze. Her recent attacks on Druze-held areas, like the big military demonstration north of the Awali in the last two days, are not part of a belated attempt to save President Gemayel but rather a way of keeping up the pressure on the Druze not to allow "terrorists" to get near the Israeli lines. "We hope the Druze will be capable of carrying out this task", explained Mr Arens, the Israeli defence minister, in his American television interview on Sunday.

Mr Arens also said that, in the absence of a Lebanese government ready to commit itself to preventing the "terrorists" from using its territory to attack Israel. the Israeli Army would have to stay in Lebanon. It is not yet clear whether this means that he does not share his colleagues' confidence in the idea of a Shiite-Christian buffer zone, or whether he was simply warning the Syrians and their allies not to take Israeli withdrawal for granted.

Clearly they would be unwise to do that. There is indeed strong pressure for withdrawal from public opinion inside Israel. But Israel cannot just walk away from Lebanon as the West is ment in Beirut. Mr Uri Lubrani, doing, li has to get credible compromise will begin.

northern frontier. If the Syrians has not despaired of an under- really want Israel withdrawal, they will have to allow such guarantees to be given by someone - whether it is a new government in Beirut or a de facto authority in the south. If it is a government in Beirut formed under Syrian influence. then the guarantees, to be underwritten by Syria herself. An understanding between Syria and Israel could be reached indirectly, through the United States, as it was in 1976.

> But Syria may not want to pay this price for Israeli withdrawal. She may prefer to keep Israel on the rack in southern Lebanon, wearing her out by encouraging violent resistance against her rule and against any surrogates to whom she may hope to hand over. That would be a dangerous option because Israel could decide, if the pressure became intolerable, to respond with the all-out attack on Syria which many Israelis believe to be inevitable sooner or later in any case, because Syria's pretentions to regional hegemony are not compatible with Israeli security.

Meanwhile, Syria and her allies have unfinished business in Beirut. The problem is not so much President Gemayel as the Christian population, barricaded in East Beirut behind the Lebanese Forces and what is left of the army. Maronite power over the rest of Lebanon may have been broken, but Shiite-Druze power cannot be imposed on Maronite Lebanon without a bloodbath which would surpass in horror all that has gone before. President Assad is waiting for the Christians to appeal to him to save them from that, as they did in 1976. Then the search for yet another Lebanese

ALL LEFT TO MESSINA

The function of Mr Kinnock's wider, more generous Europe dissertation on Europe (pubto discern than its prescription multinationals, financiers or lts function is first of all to serve the addition to the litany of a the party through the forth- nouvelle-vague demon). A coming elections to the European Europe freed from the market Parliament. The uncompromising thumbs down to the Community contained in Labour's most recent election manifesto and various conference resolutions, and so in some formal sense still party policy, is too negative to be comfortable for campaigning. It exposes Labour candidates to the jibe, "If your party's so keen to get out, why

should we put you in? The election, though intrinsically marginal to British politics. is rated important as a measurement and determinant of the parties' relative standing, not least the relative standing of the opposition parties. So it is sensible of Mr Kinnock to set a more positive framework within which his party's candidates can fight the election.

Looking beyond the European election, it is also in Labour's interests to have somewhere else to stand than on the narrow ground of withdrawal. For that, a position is required which combines disapproval of the present set-up with vague and preferably idealistic sounding ideas about how it might be improved. "Renegotiation" was the formula in the early 1970s. Mr Kinnock's "new Messina" succeeds it.

The aim is set down as a

for Europeans, not for the of western Europe to "today's lished in New Socialist) is easier United States, the Soviet Union, for the shape of things to come. agribusiness (a nice touch that, Α cconomy philosophy of the Treaty of Rome; promoting cooperation not integration; pursuing "modern" full employment policies, the only clue to the meaning of which is that governments are failing to use the mountains of money now lying idle in property or in the stock market"; blessed with accountability to democratic authority of multinational capital; yet emancipated from the directives of a Brussels bureaucracy; instigating a "new Bretton Woods" for the establishment of a new world economic order,

with the United States or without it if necessary; dedicating in respect of every member state 0.7 per cent of gross domestic product to aid for the Third World: playing a role in détente and disarmament with its sights fixed on the goal of a nuclear-free Europe. The thing may be conceived as a vast canvas on which, in a few bold

As for structures, as for how one gets from the present Community which is no more than "a food price fixing system with a common external tariff" to that airy destination. Mr Kinnock leaves it all to Messina. It would be for her to decide how

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Kinnock thinking is realized.

to relate the present institutions needs and tomorrow's responses"; whether all European parties should be invited to send representatives to a new assembly, and all European governments (not just today's ten) be invited to join a new European council - elsewhere in his article he notes with disfavour that the EEC excludes East European countries not only from membership but also

from "political dialogue". It is an irony Mr Kinnock will not have missed that a "new Messina", to which he looks to shake out the supranationalism of the Community and transfer power from its institutions to component governments, has long been the catchphrase of the federalists of the Community who look to the same device to perform the opposite trick.

With mounting dissatisfaction at the distortions of the Community, and with its institutions locked in a state of budgetary crisis, it is a time for big breezy thoughts about its future. You cannot quantify elan, Mr Harold Wilson said when he had run out of economic arguments in favour of British attachment to the Common Market. Mr Kinnock goes one better: you cannot particularize it either. Visionary vagueness assists the immediate intra-party purpose of Mr Kinnock's European essay. But if it is meant to be taken seriously elsewhere he will have to clarify its content and cope with its contradictions.

MR BOTHA AND MR MACHEL

A new sense of realism about the political facts of life in Southern Africa is shown by the agreements on security, trade and other matters reached this week between South Africa and Mozambique. Coming hard on the heels of an agreement between South Africa and Angola, it gives reason for a degree of optimism about the southern tip of the continent, and that has been a rare commodity for some years.

There have been concessions on both sides. Mozambique came to independence in 1975 as a Marxist state, the friend and client of the Soviet Union, dedicated to the overthrow of apartheid in the republic across its border and willing to accommodate the African National Congress while it plotted subversion. On the other hand, many of those in power in South Africa thought only a few years ago that their only possible policy was to plan the overthrow of President Samora Machel. Support was provided for the MNR rebels. the economic screw was turned at times and the republic did not hesitate to send armed incursions into Mozambique territory or to plot the murder of such people as Ruth First, killed by a

letter bomb in Maputo.

Now all is changed. Mozambique has been brought to its knees as much by its own ill-chosen policies, as by the successful operation of the rebels and other South African pressures. The Soviet Union, as so often in Africa, proved a broken reed in times of real trouble. And as a result it is turning west, opening its borders to South African tourists, allowing South African goods to flow through its ports, and accepting aid and investment from Pretoria. Another reward will be the ending of South African support for the rebels. A price will be restricting the activities of the ANC.

The South African concession accepting that President Machel is here to stay, that life is possible with a Marxist, black neighbour. In one sense Mozambique is surrendering, but South Africa is displaying some magnanimity in victory. As with the agreement on the other side of the continent, there are gains for all sides in the conclusion of a

On the one hand, provided it discards its Marxist economic policies, Mozambique can expect some economic upturn - at present the shops are all empty in the cities, the peasants are

often hungry and the country is as bankrupt as a country can be. On the other hand, South Africa can expect a greater degree of border security. This is of benefit to others apart from the ruling circles in what has been called a Bothacracy. Change in South Africa cannot be imported: it will come when South Africans bring it about. If the ANC is denied the possibility of having a base for its terrorist forays it will have to concentrate on re-establishing its base within the country and involving itself in the very different kind of struggle now taking place.

The question that remains is the extent to which Mr Piet Botha and his government are prepared to carry this new realism within South Africa, having now applied it beyond the border. Is it a change of heart or merely the successful outcome of the stick and carrot policy the stick of overwhelming mililary power and the carrot of cconomic dominance, which shows up the incompetence of South Africa's neighbours? Internal progress will be more difficult an exercise, as retreats always are. "We must adapt or die," Mr Botha said on a famous occasion. The choice is still before him.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Police detention safeguards

From the Minister of State, Home

Sir, Mr Bindman's article vesterday "96 hours: time to think again". February 201 gave a thoroughly misleading account of the main provisions on detention which the standing committee of the House of Commons approved on February

Mr Bindman conveys the impression that the Bill gives the police new powers of detention without charge. But under the present law there is no absolute or fixed limit on the time for which an arrested person may be detained before being brought before a court and no machinery for the independent review of detention (other than habeas corpus). There have been cases of detention for over a week where the courts have later upheld the conviction.

Under the Bill we are for the first time establishing that the normal maximum for detention without charge will be 24 hours. The police will be able to hold someone beyond 24 hours only if he is being held in connexion with a serious arrestable offence and if his further detention is necessary to secure, preserve or obtain evidence for an investigation which is being diligently and expeditiously conducted.

For the first time, at 36 hours (though Mr Bindman forgot to mention it) there will have to be a hearing before a magistrate's court, at which the person concerned and his legal representative will be able to argue against further detention,

During the debate in the standing committee I accepted in principle that no order by a magistrate's court should authorise further detention for more than 36 hours. For the first time the law will place an absolute limit of 96 hours on detention without charge.

The royal commission looked at the Scottish provisions which Mr Bindman cites and decided that they were not relevant to the different legal system in England and Wales, I gave the standing committee examples of the cases, small in number but very serious in character, where the police have needed more than 24 or 36 hours to complete an investigation.

The question is whether in such cases, however valid the police case for further detention, however serious the offence, the investigation should have to be broken off and the detained person set free. We believe that this would expose the public to unreasonable risk.

The power to detain for questioning is necessary and, as the royal commission said, "well established". We believe that the Bill provides new strong safeguards against its misuse.

Your faithfully. DOUGLAS HURD, Home Office, Queen Anne's Gate, SW1. February 21.

Conflict of skills From Mr John Norton

Sir. The article in your Monday page on February 6 by Deborah Moggach touches a sensitive chord with insensitive abandon. In the first place, photography has little if anything to do with the skills and disciplines of portrait painting. Secondly, a good portrait surely must speak of the subject and not the social veneer. Thirdly, portraits are, in the best tradition, related to the human condition in its entirety and therefore as important, if not more so, than all the other disciplines that attempt an analysis

should be biographical. To Carlyle, it seemed: Often I have found a portrait superior in real instruction to half a dozen biographies I have found that the portrait was a small lighted candle by which the biographies could for the first time be read, and some human interpretation made of them.

of that condition. In short, they

Your correspondent ignores most. if not all, important factors of the art as if the subject were merely a commodity of the consumer society or the world of entertainment. Perhaps a reference to our traditions apart from the great European masters would have given readers a more sympathetic insight into one of the greatest means of recording the

human condition. These references would have included names from Thomas More. Shakespeare, Blake. Carlyle, Eliot and, of course, Holbein, Hogarth, Reynolds, Van Dyck, Wyndham Lewis and a host of others. Yours faithfully,

JOHN NORTON 404b Fulham Road, SW6. February 14.

From Mrs Tilly Marshall

Tom Keating as faker

Sir, As with many of your readers, I am well aware of The Times's long commitment to the cause of the late fom Keating. Also, like many of your readers, such a commitment shocks me. After close on 50 years as an art dealer, however, perhaps it shocks me more than most. It is one of the most astonishing pieces of misjudgment during my professional experience.

Mrs Geraldine Norman's unceasing sponsorship of the late Tom Keating gives one pause for thought. The man was not merely, as described in your press yesterday and today (February 14) "the celebrated art imitator". He was a common or garden faker. How the late Jan Van Meegeren might have wished that he, too, had been born British and of necessity, of course, the son of a charwoman. Meegeren, too, might have become the darling of The Times and been taken up by

other of the media as a consequence. It is incorrect to say, as stated in Rupert Morris's report, that Keating threw the art world into such confusion that few dealers would dare discount the possibility that he has left one last joke". The majority of dealers do their homework; it was a dealer who originally spotted the

Palmer fakes.

Those of us acquainted with the life of Palmer were aware he had no collector of the name given by Keating in attribution. Indeed, the best thing about the Palmer fakes was the extraordinary faking of the frames, with the right glue, the acceptable moulding, the dust. So masterly were those frames that none seeing them could have supposed other than the motive behind Keating's work was the one of materialism ~ whatever nonsense professed to the contrary for a gullible public.

The late L. S. Lowry would maintain that unless some work had been commissioned from a painter,

Time for Antarctic fishing pact likely that 250,000 tons of tish are being taken each year off the Falkland Islands, with little benefit

consumer or the Exchequer.

and treasure.

own economic zone.

rise to diplomatic upset.

being derived either by the British

effect a fisheries regime puts at risk,

as Mr Lyster rightly states, the whole

marine ecosystem of the area. We

are in a sense throwing away a

priceless asset which was won back

for Britain by great expense of blood

advanced that declaring (and enforc-

ing) a 200-mile economic zone

around the Falklands will "upset the

Argentinians" at a delicate moment

had no hesitation in proclaiming its

established principles of inter-national law for dividing the waters

along the median line, and these

principles could presumably be

applied in this case without giving

Even more important, it is as

much in Argentina's interest as it is

in Britain's for Britain to enforce a

fisheries regime on its side of the

Patagonian shelf. The current free

for all must damage Argentinian stocks almost as much as our own

since, biologically speaking, the

resources of the Patagonian shelf are

concerned, the arguments are even

clearer. In Grytviken last week I was

told that recent aerial surveys had

revealed 180 ships trawling around

the island. These are not British

ships. They are Soviet or East

European, Catching large quantities

of kriff, the small crustacean at the

base of the Antarctic food chain, as

well as fish, they may be intervening

even more directly in the balance of

Here again an economic zone around South Georgia is an indispensable tool of any effective

management regime. The British

Antarctic Survey, with its already

established offshore biological pro-

gramme, should be able to help in

generating the necessary scientific

The South Orkneys, where I also

observed heavy Soviet fishing, lie

inside the Antarctic Treaty area. The

urgent need there is for catch limits

to be set and enforced on an

international basis, having particu-

lar regard to the interaction of

different elements in the food chain.

progress towards effective regulation

is desperately slow. If the dismal

history of the whaling industry is

anything to go by, it may soon be

Yours sincerely.

February 19.

Essex.

STANLEY JOHNSON,

30 Maida Avenue, W2.

The machinery for this exists, but

the marine ecosystem.

As far as South Georgia is

shared between the two countries.

negotiation. But Argentina has

Where the zones overlap there are

The argument is sometimes

At the same time our failure to

From Mr Martin Dent

Sir, We are all aware of the story of two dogs who quarrel so vigorously over a bone that it is taken by someone else and they both lose it. Your excellent article in today's issue (February 18) on the despoliation of the fisheries within the 200mile limit around the Falkland/ Malvinas Islands shows that this is just the situation of Britain and Argentina.
The 200 miles of water contain

rich resources of fish which are now being grossly over-exploited many foreign vessels while Britain is afraid to declare a 200-mile fishing limit for fear of offending Argentina and the Argentinians cannot fish or protect the fisheries because of our 200-mile exclusion zone.

The answer is obvious: let us share the responsibility for the fisheries. Surely we can rise above our quarrels to see that the waters around the islands must belong to one or other of us, or to both together, and certainly not to third parties who are now despoiling the fisheries.

The first step between two nations in dispute over a jurisdiction and responsibility is to attempt to share that honour, duty and benefit Let Britain and Argentina exercise jointly the administration and conservation of the fisheries in these waters, allowing only the ships of our two nations, or those we jointly license, to fish.

To perform this manageable task let us appoint a fisheries protection and development officer (perhaps an outsider to both our nations acting on behalf of us both) and give him a British and an Argentinian adviser.

We shall soon find that, though we are still unable to agree on the emotion-laden subject of "sovereignty", we can cooperate admirably to mutual benefit in the practical business of administration. Although we are not yet ready for joint sovereignty over the land and people we can at least operate it over the

Yours sincerely, MARTIN DENT. Department of Politics. University of Keele, Keele, Staffordshire. February 18.

From Mr Stanley Johnson, MEP for Wight and Hampshire East (European Democrat (Conservative))

Sir, Like Mr Lyster Heature. February 18) I have recently returned from the Falklands, as well as from visiting on board the British Antarctic Survey ship John Biscoe. South Georgia, the South Orkneys and the Antarctic peninsula

I completely agree with Mr Lyster's call for a 200-mile economic zone around the Falklands. It seems

Sir, This correspondence began with

a reference to an Essex boundary

hedge and has gone on to consider

matters of age and correct manage-ment of hedges. I think there is some

correct in his description of Midland

hedges which are laid and trimmed

to enclose stock. In arable Essex

and Mr Curtis (February 11) has

described the excellent traditional

practice of cutting hedges to the

ground every 15 years or so; I prefer

to call this "coppicing" rather than

razing" and it has the effect of

invigorating the stools of the trees

and shrubs which comprise the

Countryside heritage

From Mr John Hunter

1,500 acre estate in North Essex by the method Mr Secrett has described (February 15). I found that one third of the hedgerows dated to before the Black Death (1350), some considerably earlier, and that another third were pre-1600.

Interestingly, the older hedges generally related to ancient property confusion amongst your correspondents due to geography and different methods of farming. boundaries, watercourses, lanes and paths, and major changes in soil Sir David Scott (February 15) is type. While many hedges had been removed to create economic field sizes, I believe that most of these were modern and relatively unintethere is little need for such fences resting.

In wide areas of the Midlands which were subject to parliamentary enclosure hedges consist solely of hawthorn. Consequently I think it dangerous to generalise on the basis of one's local landscapes. Yours faithfully, JOHN HUNTER. The Market Cross. Thaxted,

Sir. Without wishing, at this stage, to

contribute further to the debate

about "making the grades for

university", may I correct one potentially misleading statement in

Ronald Butt's article (February 16)?

requirement for success at Emma-

nuel will be three grade-A results at

A level". Our conditional offers to

pre-A-level candidates will normally

ask for A-level grades of A B B. A A

C, A A B or A A A and will often

include a merit or distinction in one or two S-level papers. We would

certainly, however, expect a high

proportion of our successful candi-

dates in practice to have obtained

ALAN R. H. BAKER, Tutor.

three grade As.

Cambridge. February 16.

Yours faithfully,

Emmanuel College,

It is not the case that "in practice

the minimum entrance

Making the grade

From Dr Alan R. H. Baker

On the matter of age, I have carefully analysed all the hedges of a

Cannon Street station

From the General Manager of British Rail (Southern)

Sir, Let me hasten to reassure the 70,000 passengers who daily use Cannon Street station that, contrary to the report in today's edition of the The Times (February 15) the station is not "set to close". Indeed we have just invested £10m in redecking the river bridge.

Our new timetable, which starts in May, recognises the fact that during the day most passengers coming into London from Kent are heading for the West End, which is best served by Charing Cross station. If they want Cannon Street and the City they can make an easy change at London Bridge for a frequent shuttle service. There will still be direct services throughout the morning and evening peaks. Yours faithfully,

DAVID KIRBY, General Manager, British Rail (Southern), Waterloo Station, SE1. February 15.

> no one had asked him to paint. He could not therefore demand that his work be appreciated. He had painted what he had, only to please himself. When Keating claimed he had done as he had in support of fellow

artists dead or alive I doubt any would have appreciated the crime of another man signing their name. As consequence Tom Keating was neither hero, joke, nor a character to be lauded, alive or dead. He was a self-confessed faker, a criminal who remained unconvicted, apparently for health reasons.

The Times appears to delight in esenting the art dealer as the unknowledgeable fool, as Keating tried to present us as the grindersdown of painters rich or poor, alive or dead. I seem to hear old L. S. Lowry asking, "What's the game,

I am, yours faithfully, TILLY MARSHALL he Stone Gallery, St Mary's Place, Newcastle upon Type. February 14.

Passing judgment on television

From his Honour Lvall Wilkes Sir. I do not know how many retired judges refused Yorkshire Tele-vision's invitation to act as "judge" in a series of television "arbitrations" before one was found who accepted (report, February 15); but I at least was approached by letter in September, 1982, and the reasons for my refusal seem sounder with each passing day and may be thought of some general importance. 1. The law is peculiarly an area in which a little knowledge on the part of the untrained is a dangerous thing. The proposed programmes

can only give encouragement to the sort of exhibitionist who is in real life disposed to indulge in "do it yourself" litigation, if it is still proposed, as it was put to me in 982, that the parties appear without legal representation. My lifetime in the law teaches me that a litigant appearing in person is a danger to himself, to the court, and to justice. 2. Litigation is, or should be, a serious business and its financial

sanctions should be preserved to discourage its being used frivolously. Here encouragement will be given to the exhibitionist to have his hour of disputatious glory on television with no financial sanctions if he loses, and indeed enriched by £100

appearance money.

3. But the real objection of principle is the television assumption that all aspects of life are suitable for television, and they are not. From sexual intercourse here, to television executions in America, the public mind is increasingly debased by

television. 4. If people wish to be educated as to how the courts work, nearly all courts are open to the public, where they may go and listen to real legal arguments and expertise. I am afraid they will find the proceedings very slow and dull (a prerequisite for justice being done) with not a laugh

in sieht. If these proposed programmes are ever screened they will lead to further demands by television to allow their cameras into real courts (as in America) as only a further small step from what is here proposed. Yours faithfully.

LYALL WILKES. Dissington Garden House, Dalton, Newcastle upon Tyne.

A life or death issue From the Right Reverend Trevor

Huddleston

Sir. The current controversy con-cerning the ethics of kidney transplants is in fact a life or death issue. At the heart of it lies the stark fact that many lives (over 100 in 1982) are being unnecessarily lost because of a shortage of kidneys available for

The present system of "donor cards" available to those who "opt in" has failed to produce enough cadaver kidneys to meet the need. Yet there is apparently a deep reluctance (shared by some distinguished surgeons) to support the alternative, namely, that doctors should have the automatic right to remove kidneys from a dead person unless he/she has registered an objection in his lifetime.

The gravamen of this opposition appears to be that it takes away the right of the individual and in some way destroys the good will of the public. It is in fact the same argument advanced by those who opposed compulsory wearing of seat belts. And the consequences are the same, the saving or the loss of

precious lives. Having been concerned in this particular matter of the ethics of transplant surgery over many years, I am convinced that the opting out procedure would not only save life but would give no offence whatever on religious or humanistic grounds. It cannot be a deprivation of rights for the donor, for he/she has the

right to opt out. But it certainly is a deprivation of the right to live for hundreds, if not thousands of kidney patients in this country. And I believe it should be a matter of conscience to promote life rather than to safeguard the dignity - it such it is - of a corpse. Yours faithfully,

TREVOR HUDDLESTON. St James's Church, 197 Piccadilly, W1.

Fate of Temple Bar

From Dr Selby Whittinghain Sir, The case of Temple Bar, about which the Temple Bar Trust writes again (February 17), is similar to that of the Carfax Conduit, another seventeenth-century monument that had to be moved to accommodate the flow of traffic.

The latter was tried, in the form of a wooden model of the same size, on various sites in Oxford, after which it was concluded that it was better left where it is in the park at Nuneham Courtenay. The London sites proposed for

Temple Bar do not suit its scale or original purpose and it would look better remaining where it is now. The cost of looking after it there could be set against the saving in not having to pay for its removal.

The neglect of these monuments of architecture and sculpture in the past, and of our native sculpture in the open air in general, has been very great, and perhaps puts into a different perspective the neglect of the Parthenon by the Greeks, who at least had the excuse of poverty and occupation by foreigners. Yours faithfully.

SELBY WHITTINGHAM, 153 Cromwell Road, SW5.

Farewell to arms From Mr John B. Harris

Sir, Why, do you suppose, leaders of nations professing to be peaceloving continue to have their bodies taken to burial on a gun carriage? Yours faithfully,

JOHN B. HARRIS 31 Princedale Road, W11.



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 21: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace

The Right Hon Margaret
Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and
First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of Her Majesty this

The Duke of Edinburgh, Master of the Corporation of the Trinity House, this morning attended a meeting between the Corporation and the General Council of British Shipping at Trinity House, London,

His Royal Highness subsequently addressed booksellers at a Reception given by Hamish Hamilton Ltd (Managing Director, Mr Christopher Sinclair-Stevenson) at Stationers' Hall, London, EC4.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, this evening attended a dinner in connexion with the Award's 25th Anniversary Appeal, at the Royal Artillery Mess. Woolwich London SE18.

Mr Brian McGrath was in

By command of The Queen, the Lord Lyell (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London this morning upon the departure of The Prince of Wales for Brunei and bade farewell to His Royal Highness on behalf of Her Majesty. KENSINGTON PALACE

February 21: The Prince of Wales left Heathrow Airport London this morning in a Royal Air Force VC10 aircraft for Brunei, where His Royal Highness will represent The Queen at the First National Independence

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. C. Evans and Miss N. J. Clarke The engagement is announced between Mark Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs P. R. Evans. of Chesham, Buckinghamshire, and Nicola Jane, eldest daughter of Sir Jonathan and Lady Clarke, of Bovey

Tracey, Devon. Mr S. Ainscough and Miss D. Moncrieff

The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mrs Joan Ainscough and the late Mr Cyril Ainscough and the late Mr. Syn-Ainscough, of Parbold, Lancashire, and Dorothy, daughter of Mr John Moncrieff and of the late Mrs Madge Moncrieff, of Straiton, Leuchars, Fife.

Mr T. E. Corn and Miss S. C. Hopson Hill

The engagement is announced between Timothy, youngest son of the late John Corn and Mrs C. S. Cheshire, of Barlaston, Staffordshire, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C. J. Hopson Hill, of Burnage Hill Sussey Burgess Hill. Sussex.

Mir S. J. Gaut and Miss A. H. Jagger

The engagement is announced between Simon Jeremy, elder son of Mr John Gaul, of Malia, and of Mrs Ann Gaul, of Kensington, London, and Alexis Harriett, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Jagger, of Berkswell, Warwickshire.

Mr R. J Harffey

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mrs R. Harffey and the late Mr W. J. Harffey of Bagnor, Newbury, and Tessa, younger daughter of Mr E. C. Norris and the late Mrs V. Norris, of Dorking Surgey.

Mr J. G. Jack and Miss J. E. Randles

The engagement is announced between Gordon, son of the late Mr and Mrs Jack, of Netherlee, Glasgow, and Jan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Randles, of Bagshot,

Some reach Earth, destroy-

His Royal Highness was received upon arrival at the Airport by the Baroness Phillips (Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Greater Lon-don) and Mr John Field (British

Airports Authority). The Hon Edward Adeane, Mr David Roycroft and Lieutenant-Colonel David Brombead are in

colour.

James Trehane and Sons, of

The Princess of Wales this morning visited the Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton, Surrey. Mrs George West, Lieutenant-Commander Peter Eberle, RN and Victor Chapman

YORK HOUSE, ST JAMES'S

February 21: The Duke of Kent, President of the Royal Agricultural Society of England and Vice-Chair-man of the British Overseas Trade Board, today opened the twentieth "British Growers" Look Ahead" National Conference and Exhibition at Harrogate, Yorkshire.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Sir Richard

The Duchess of Kent celebrates her birthday today.

A flower gala, in aid of the Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital Appeal Trust, will be held at the Mansion House (by courtesy of the Lord Mayor) on May 16 from 10.30 to 4.30. A memorial service for Mr Kenneth

Childs will be held at the Parish Church of St Olave, Hart Street, in the City of London, at 11.45 am

A memorial service for Theodore Crombic of Culter will be held at St Peter's. Eaton Square, SWI, on Tuesday, March 13, at noon.

Dr R. M. Matheson and Miss H. M. Dickenson The engagement is announced

between Roderick. son of Mr and Mrs R. Matheson, Well Manor. Long Sutton, Hampshire, and Hilary, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. N. Dickenson, Leigh Road,

Mr S. M. Milliken

The engagement is announced between Seth, son of Mr and Mrs Minot K. Milliken. of 19 East 72nd Street. New York, and Hull's Cove, Maine, United States, and Martha, daughter of Mr R. Frank Nairn. of Castle Carey. Guernsey. and Mrs Mary-Anna Nairn, of Bam-boroughs. Petworth, Sussex.

Mr D. Mouat and Miss K. Croxford

The engagement is announced between David, son of Ted and Irene Mouat, of Kenley, Surrey, and Katherine, elder daughter of Alan and Helen Croxford, of Shirley,

Dr C. D. Shee and Dr S. J. Bowcock

The engagement is announced between Charles, eldest son of Dr and Mrs James Shee, of Paarl, South Africa, and Stella, daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Bowcock, of Smith House, Endon, Staffordshire.

Mr D. G. Wells and Miss K. A. Simpson

between Derrick, eldest son of Mr and Mrs P. Wells, of Great Henny, Sudbury. Suffolk, and Katherine. youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Simpson, of Earl Stonham, Suffolk.

Marriage

Mr J. G. R. Williams and Mrs C. C. Wyatt

The marriage took place yesterday in London, followed by a service of Blessing in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, of Mr John Williams and Mrs Caroline Wyatt.

Horticulture 🖏

Plants attract three gold medals

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture Correspondent

The Royal Horticultural Society's tropical foliage plants, including hi (coral stems), and Skimmia flower Show in the New Hall, brorneliads, beautifully staged on japonica (red bernes). Flower Show in the New Hall. Westminster, combines winter and

spring interest. Vying for attention are shrubs and trees for winter stem and flower colour, and daffodils, snowdrops. cyclamen, coloured primroses and other spring flowers. Orchids and camellias also add Foliage and flowering houseplants were also shown by The House of Rochford, of Broxbourne, and their gold medal exhibit included a striking green and white variegated Heptopleurum Capello'. The third gold went to Edrom Nurseries, of Coldingham, for hardy primulas, including cultivars of the chalk-blue P. whitei. Hampreston, are featuring a scented camellia, 'Fragrant Pink', best

grown under glass where fragrance is strongest. Burnham Nurseries, of In the ornamental plant competition, Lord Aberconway and the National Trust, Bodnant, were Kingsteignton, have the superb blue awarded first prize for a collection of Magnolia delavayi (large-leaved species). Rhododendron mucronula-Three gold medals were awarded for plant exhibits, Annmore Exotics, species), Rhododendron mucronula-of Portsmouth, received a gold for tum (pink). Acer palmatum "Senka-

Gold medals for paintings went to the Botanical Research Institute, Pretoria. South Africa, for water-colour paintings of African plants; Christine Hart-Davies, of Poole, for watercolours of lichens, mosses and liverworts; Suzanne Lucas, of Bourton, for watercolours of toadstools; and Ann Shelley-Lloyd, of Romford, for oil paintings of

The committees made the following awards to orchids:

First dass certificate to Zygopetalum Stonehust', bronze with violet-Jurple lip, Irom Mr O Strauss, of Ardinsty. Awards of mera to Odonlock Hordion Lace Burnham purple marbied white, from Burnham Nurseries, Kingsteignton; Cyrobi-dium 'Ardingly', white, marked crimson.

Mr D Straus: Paphiopedilum hursi', yellow and white, from Mr D Stonehursi', yellow and white, from Mr D Strauss.

Awards of merit were given to the following. Narcissus bulbocodium sub-species romieumi variety metalianticus. Dright yellow, scented, from Mr Richard Britten. of Cheisworth: Archoslaphylos scingley, pale pink bell-shaped flowers. Irom the Trustees. Caleises Physic Garden, Landon; Helicoorus purpur accum. Dado, green and purpe, from Elirabeth Straugman. Hawkhursi: Guzanta 'Gory of Cheni', rednurple foliage, from Mr David Cullow, of Burchinger; Rhipsalis cereuscula, white flowers on pendulous green stents, from W L Tadden, of Wellings Odonlorusma schomburgalanum, red tubular flowers, from the Director. Reys and Bolanic Cardens, Kew.

The show is gorn lodgy from The Scholing Cardens, Kew.

OBITUARY

reputation was clouded by

increasingly bitter and searching

His personal behaviour was objectionable; having written a

novel which was apparently

case against Sholokhov had first

callow short-story writer Sho-

lokhov, 12 years of age at the

time of the Revolution, could never have produced a work of

idduced published evidence

White Guard officer F. D.

lies between the earlier and later

parts of the novel, plus his

manifest failure to produce anything of like merit after Tikhiy Don were all used in the

argument against Sholokhov

and do continue to cast a

shadow over an estimate of the

But at the end of the day the

truth is that no hard, external

evidence emerged to substan-

tiate the case against him and it

is not impossible to imagine

that Sholokhov had seen, read

and digested the diaries of

another man, making their contents his own and recreating

them much as, say, Shakespeare

did with North's Plutarch,

without necessarily being a plagiarist and a charlatan.

Mikhail Alexandrovich Sho-

lokhov was born in 1905 in the

Donets region of Russia His

father was an immigrant from

Ryazan. Until he was 13

Sholokhov studied in various

From 1920 to 1922 he was

unemployed and was often in

trouble with the law because of

his connexions with gangs in his

to Moscow and worked as an

unskilled labourer, stonemason,

stevedore and clerk. At this

time he was contributing ar-

licles to various journals and in

particular to young Communist

His first collection of stories,

mostly based on Cossack life, appeared in 1925. Soon after, he

returned from Moscow to his

native Don to begin work on

The Quiet Don, the first part of

which was published in 1928, and hailed by many Soviet

writers as a great triumph of

It was widely translated. Further instalments followed -

the second volume in 1929, third in 1931 and fourth and

pathies, too, seem to be with the

ossacks and their traditional

customs upset by the Revol-

Soviet literature.

last in 1940.

man.

could not have witnessed.

controversy.

Union.

The show is open today from 10am to 5pm.
At the society's Annual meeting

the new president. Mr Robin Herbert, was introduced. He succeeds Lord Aberconway, president since 1961.

Royal Society of **British Sculptors**

The Royal Society of British Sculptors Silver Medal for 1983 was awarded to Mr. John Rayera for his bronze sculpture, "In Town". The Royal Society of British Sculptors' Otto Beit Medal for 1983 was awarded to Mr John W. Mills for his bronze sculpture. "Curved

Royal Caledonian Ball

The Royal Caledonian Ball will b held on Monday, May 21, at Grosvenor House, London, W1. Tickets at £22 (light refreshments at midnight) are obtainable from the end of March, from The Secretary, 94 Elms Road, London, SW4 9EW.

Repton School

Music scholarship examination, 1984. The following awards have

Birthdays today

Sir Roderick Barclay, 75; Mr Bruce Forsyth, 56: Miss Patricia Lancaster, 55; Lord Martonmere, 77; Mr William Mathias, 68; Sir John Mills. 76; Mr Noel Murphy, 47; Mr Sean O'Faolain, 84; Mr Tom Okker, 40; Sir John Primrose, 83; Mr Henry Reed, 70; Mr William Slack, 59; Canon J R L Thomas, 76; Mr John Travolta, 30; Mr Warren Tute, 70; Mr Kenneth Williams, 58.

Gillespie, Mrs Anthony Garton, Mr Charles Parker, Mr Arthur Mesien Dr M Stocker, Miss Sofia Stainlon Michael Rese, Correct Langue

A memorial service for Captain G.
H. S. (Jack) Webber was held yesterday at St Peter's, Eaton Square. The Rev J. B. Woodward-Court officiated. Mrs Pat Koechlingstone Court officiated Services of the Prince of Pless was held yesterday at St Michael's, Chester Square. The Rev E. G. H. Saunders officiated. The Earl of Erroll read Smythe, president, British Show Jumping Association, read the lesson and Mr Dorian Williams, Were:
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Latest wills

Sir Anton Dolin, of Bayswater, London and Monte-Carlo, the ballet dancer and chereographer, left estate in England and Wales valued at £3.617. Other estates include (net, before

Memorial services

A service of thanksgiving for the life

the lesson and Sir Nigel Trench gave

an address. Among those present

The Prince of Pless

Brown, Mr Ronald Timothy, of Much Wenlock, Shropshire, farmer £452,268 Cripps, Mr Ernest Frederick, of

Steyning, West Sussex£335,821 Cubitt, Mr James William Archi-

Latest appointments

Mr B. E. F. Catlin to be joint County Court Registrar and joint District Registrar of the High Court in the Reading group of courts from

Christening

The infant son of Mr and Mrs

Captain G. H. S. Webber

Mr Gerald Rose to be joint registrar for the districts of the Edmonton

and Bow County Courts from June

Harold Spencer was christened Robert Adam Julién Edmund by the Rev A. G. Smith at All Saints Church, Eight Ash Green, Essex on Sunday, February 19. The godparents are Mr Jonathan Channon, Mr Nicholas Elcombe and Mrs Clare Plaistowe.

Author of 'The Quiet Don' Mikhail Sholokhov, who died in Rostov-on-Don on February 20, aged 78, had an unparalleled reputation among Soviet writers for his authorship of the great novel of Cossack life during the Civil War, Tikhiy Don translated and known in the Englishspeaking world in two parts. And Quiet Flows the Don, and its sequel. The Don Flows Home to the Sea. But, towards the end of his life Sholokhov's

MIKHAIL SHOLOKHOV

highly sympathetic to the Cossack opponents of Bolshe-vism he was able to embrace an Sholokhov's second novel aggressive doctrinal orthodoxy which enabled him to join in Virgin Soil Upturned, 1932-33 was on an equally ambitious the persecution of writers such scale. The subject was another acute conflict of the revolution as Pasternak, who had fallen foul of Socialist-Realist tenets ary period, which tore his and thus of the party. This native Don region asunder as a rendered him odious to a result of the Soviet policy of forcible collectivization is appearance coincided with the younger generation of Soviet writers and embarrassed his admirers outside the Soviet literary revolution in the Soriet Union and the adoption of so-But this did not exceed the called "Socialist Realism" - and unease which began to spread during the early discussions from the scepticism increasingly about the meaning of this new aired, especially outside the Soviet Union, about his authorart method, it was often held up as an outstanding example of it. ship of Tikhiv Don itself. The

in the Second World War emerged as early as 1929 when the Russian Association of Proletarian Writers felt itself Sholokhov, like most Sovier writers made many visits to the front: he was, a regular bound formally to investigate contributor to Pravda, and considerable publicity was given to his short war story, The (and rebut) rumours that the Science of Hate, a psychological study on the subject of patriot ism and hatred for the enemy.

such maturity about events he In 1942 he embarked on a large-scale war novel. They Fought for their Country several chapters of which were These rumours emerged in more concrete form in 1974 when Alexander Solzhenitsyn published in Prarda, Red-Star and Komsomolskava Pravda; some indication of the importfrom a, by then, dead, and anonymous Russian scholar ance attached to it. This novel that Sholokhov had merely deals with the early and most taken over the diaries of a difficult part of the war, the days of retreat. But Sholokhov never recaptured the vivid Kryukov who had been killed in the Civil War. Stylistic anomaquality of his earlier work. Although Sholokhov was

rarely seen in Moscow or active in the Writers' Union, preferring to write, hunt and fish in his native village on the Don, he had always been keenly interested in local affairs. In 1936 he was elected to the Supreme Soviet of the USSR as a deputy for his native Veshenskaya region. He was a member of his regional All Union Communist Party and a member of its district committee.

Sholokhov's official recognition was reflected in numerous Orders of Lenin, a First Class Stalin Prize, and the Order of Patriotic War, First Degree, for his journalistic work during the war years. He was also a member of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR, and a Hero of Socialist Labour.

Sholokhov was very far from popular with the vast majority of his Soviet fellow writers. He secondary schools, and during went out of his way the period of the Civil War he numerous occasions to decontinued to live in the Don nounce, in his rather swaggering Soviet literature.

One of his chief arguments against Soviet writers was that practically all of them were native region. In 1923, he went living in Moscow or Leningrad and that their knowledge of the countryside was negligible. Even if some of them went occasionally on "creative trips" to unfamiliar parts of the Soviet Union, they very soon felt "an irresistible urge to return to their well-heated Moscow we's", as he once put it with typical pungency.

At the same time Sholokho frequently liked to stress that he "communist first and writer only second", and he was intolerant towards any departures from "socialist realism" Often he tended to be rude and boorish. His boorishness could frequently be attributed to drink; for he was a heavy drinker.

He played an unenviable tole One of the great merits of the in Pasternak's refusal to accept the Nobel Prize, and when several years later in 1965 he One of the great merits of the novel is its vigorous and racy Russian, and the earthy and full-blooded love story of Grigory and Axinia, with its tragic ending, will rank as one of the very few unforgettable love stories in Soviet literature, was himself awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature, be made, in Stockholm, one of his most illmannered speeches ridiculing the two earlier Russian Nobel usually so reserved and anaemic Prize winners - Ivan Bunin when it comes to sex. Its powerful subconscious symwho, he declared, was an anti-Soviet emigré, and Boris Paster-nak who also was an emigré -"internal emigre". Swedish hosts were painfully shocked.

MISS LUCY DUFF GRANT Miss Lucy Duff Grant, OBE. She was concerned not only

who died on January 27, was a former Matron of Manchester Royal Infirmary, and had been a practising nurse for over 50

She began her training at the Nightingale School at St Tho-mas's Hospital in 1916, and qualified as a nurse tutor in 1922. In 1929 she was appointed Lady Superintendent of Nurses at Manchester Royal infirmary, a title which was later changed to Matron, and she remained there until 1954.

about the practice of nursing but also about the nursing profession. She became ... 2 member of the Royal College of Nursing on qualifying as a nurse in 1919, served on its council for many years and was elected President in 1950. She was also President of the

National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from 1952 to 1957, and worked towards its and mation with the Royal College in 1963.

MR H. L. H. H. GREEN

Mr H. L. H. Green, who evolution of teeth. His major contribution in this field was died on February 16 at the age of 84, was a Fellow of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, and a member of staff of the Cambridge University Anatomy Denariment of the duck billed platypus, while the development of the second platypus and platypus and

omy Department.

Much of his investigative work lay in the field of admirable editor, of Flant. admirable editor, of Hans comparative anatomy and he Gadow's posthumous work of had a particular interest in the

Science report

Companion star to the Sun 'discovered'

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Two groups of American when comets hurled to Earth, caused catastrophic damage, blotting out the Sun, plunging the planet into freezing darkastronomers suggest that the Sun has a companion star. sis. It passes regularly across the cloud of comets ness, and bringing the sudden surrounding the solar system, extinction of dinosaurs and beyond the outer planets, primitive life forms. sending millions of them flying The idea differs from that proposed recently which envis-

ing much of the life here. the plane of the Milky Way. The scientists are trying to identify Nemesis among some of the fainter stars to which During that crossing dust clouds were said to tug gravitationally at the comets, little attention had been paid. disrupting their orbits. They also predict its return in about 14 million years. There would then be a

Several observations have stimulated studies and theories about comets. One has been a repetition, presumably, of events 65 million years ago. finding that mass extinctions of marine animals and plants

aged the comets being scattered

as the Sun periodically crosses

million years and another has been an analysis of frequency with which objects have left craters on the Farth. The coincidence of these

Luncheon

Dinner - -

Age Concern England

Service dinner

Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Minister of

State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, was host yesterday at

a luncheon given at Admiralty House in honour of the Zairean

The honorary officers of Age Concern England entertained Mr

Guy Bryan, vice-chairman, and Mrs

Bryan at dinner at the Reform Club

last night. Among those presen

Royal Army Service Corps and Royal Corps of Transport

The committee and members of the

RASC and RCT Officers Luncheo

Club entertained Colonel Edward Du Cann, MP. at luncheon yesterday at the Mark Masons' Hall. Brigadier D. N. Lock, chairman of the club, presided.

ents was noted independently by Dr Michael Rampino and Dr R. B. Stothers, of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's planetary sciences unit and Dr Walter Alvarez and Dr Richard Muller, of the University of California at Berkeley.

Both groups calculated that this could be explained by a companion star to the Sun. But Nemesis would be only a tenth of the Sun's mass and would be circling it every 28 million

have tended to occur every 26 years. The orbit is lopsided and only briefly does the star come as close as 20,000 to 30,000 astronomical units (one unit equals the Earth-Sun distance of 93 million miles) of the Sun.

enough to disrupt the area of the sky containing the Oort cloud, named after the astronomer who found it, in which thousands of millious of comets are slowly circling the solar

Family pride: Lieutenant-Colonel Andrew Parker Bowles, of The Blues and Royals,

outside Buckingham Palace yesterday after the Queen had presented him with the insignia of an officer of the Order of the British Empire. He was accompanied by his wife,

Camilla, and children, Thomas and Laura.

The first annual meeting and

reunion of the Falklands Families

Association will be held at 4pm on Saturday, April 14, in the House-

hold Cavalry Barracks, Knights-bridge. Members and friends wishing to attend should contact: D Keoghane, 17 Penrose Court, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire,

have received a generous benefac-tion from the Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation towards

the development programme an-nounced last year by the then

The foundation has promised

£290,000 for the building of a centre for art, craft, design and technology to be named after Sir Percy Rugg,

President of the Anneal Committee

It is hoped that the Percy Rugg Centre will be completed by the summer of 1986.

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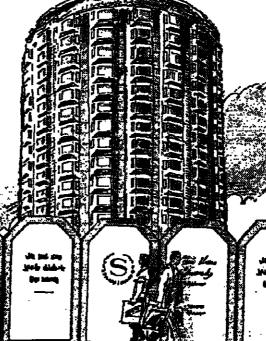
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The new China: tower blocks over the commercial centre of the special economic zone at Shenzhen, while, in the foreground, longes stream acrone border from Hongkong. Shenzhen is the biggest of China's four SEZs, which are designed to attract foreignital and technology. So far, most of the investment has come from Hongkong.

The ony city in China where yu can call a taxi

delta, which has Canta as its trop products is substantial. regional centre but also intains Hongkong, Macau and wo of the three Special Ecomic Zones. Outside the deltaggion — with the exception the Zhaoqing region, the ecomic outlet for Guangxi prince, and the small Han Rivesletta, of which Shantou (Swatt) is the regional centre—the province is poor and mousinous with inadequate commiscations.

The large island of Han,

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The economic core of Guangtho its potential as China's influenced by Hongkong,
done province is the Pett River on horse and source of Guangdong has pla Onlivear-round source of Alsert of Guangdong are the

The large island of Han, only slightly smaller an Taiwan, is administrativel art of Guangdong. It is jill comm with Guangdong's relatively underdevelopedal-

and forest products. Since 1979 a variety of new approaches to stimulate the rural economy has been adopted in China. The purchasing prices of farm commodities have been increased to encourage peasants to diversify oper-ations. By 1982 most pro-duction teams in Guangdong had adopted so-called "production responsibility systems" in which individual peasant households have a greater degree of independence to make certain production decisions.

Guangdong has played a

the history of modern China. Since 1978 it has been granted a

degree of autonomy to formu-

sector, has had some far-reach-

of the value of total agricultural

production. It produces almost half of China's sugar cane, 11

The production responsibility system is credited with a broad increase in farm production, which grew by 16 per cent in 1982 and is likely to have exceeded that figure in 1983. Grain, sugar-cane, pennuts, fruit and tea all broke output records. The increase in fish production, especially freshwater fish, has been especially marked. Only hemp and the traditionally significant pro-duction of silk cocoons declined in 1982 and 1983.

There is substantial local variation throughout Guangdong and not all areas have responded in identical ways to the new opportunities. The Pearl River delta region is most advantageously located and diversity in the rural economy has increased significantly over the past four years.

However, the most remarkable change in the Pearl River delta region is the growth of local industry. The restrictions which were imposed on the nature and scale of local industries before 1978 have been removed and have re-sulted in the rapid growth of commune and brigade enterprises. Many are operating in cooperation with business interests in Hongkong and Macau or use the advantages of location (and the possession of foreign exchange) to invest in efficient, modern (and often foreign) plant to serve aspects of Chinese domestic industry. A burgeoning local industry and a solid agricultural base has given the peasants of the delta region the highest per capita rural

incomes in China.

Guangdong has little heavy industry but is an important significant innovative role in light-industry centre. Only Shanghai produces more sewing machines than Guangdong and it leads the nation in the production of electric fans. It is late economic policy. A general relaxation in policy prescrip-tions, especially in the rural also an important producer of bicycles, refined aluminium products and hand-tractors. Its sector, has had some far-reaching effects, some of which have food-processing industry is been held up for national large, refined sugar (40 per cent of China's total) being the most china's great agricultural regions. It ranks sixth in terms appliances (refrigerators and appliances) washing machines), tape-recorders and cameras have been recorded over the past two

per cent of its rice output and is the largest producer of both fish The provincial capital Canton, is China's most distinctive regional centre, for it is the most open to foreign influences. This is a reflection of an increasing integration with affluent (and capitalist) Hongkong and Macau. Two through express trains run between Hongkons and Canton daily in addition to an air service and a variety of sea routes. The road network, although still inadequate, is improving. The most important new road links Hongkong and Canton, reducing the journey to about three hours.

GUANGDONG FACTS

Area: 210,000 sq km

Population: 60 million Capital: Guangzhou (Canton) Economy: rice, sugar cane, pork, vegetables, fish, timber, light industry, tourism.

The effect of this integration is startling. Canton has been transformed. Restaurants and teahouses are packed, and a pattern of consumption that owes more to Hongkong than to Peking predominates. Canton is the only city in China where taxis can be hailed on the street and overseas telephone calls dialled directly.

Ninety per cent of China's tourists - there were eight million in 1982 - are "compatriots", the great majority from Hongkong, Most stay within the bounds of the province and tourist revenue is an estimated £500m. Hongkong visitors entertain lavishly and present expensive gifts to their kinsmen. They provide an air of affluence to the south which excites the interest of much of the rest of the country.

Graham Johnson The author is associate professor of sociology in the Department of Anthropology and Sociology, University of British Columbia,

The provinces of Guangdong and Fujian

China's new frontier

The southern provinces of Guangdong and Fujian are at the front of the drive by China to attract foreign investment as it struggles to modernize its economy after the ravages of the Cultural Revolution. Guangdong borders the British

colony of Hongkong and the Portuguese-administered territory of Macau, and Fujian has for long had links with South-east Asia. The two contain all four of China's special economic zones and the waters off Guandong have become a magnet for international oil companies. David Bonavia sets the scene.



Pushing through the mud: boys moving goods by bicycle near Xiamen in Fuijan province.

and two of the richest in atural resources. Guangdong is famed as the home of revolutionaries, while Fujian has a seaward orientation with kinship and other links to the Chinese of South-east Asia.

With its abundant rice, pork, egetables and sugar cane, and its busy light industries, Guangdong runs a huge export trade with Hongkong and Macau, thus earning large sums in foreign currency, both for its own use and for that of the central treasury in Peking.

Fujian is rich mainly in rice ish, timber and fruit. Much of the fruit is canned for export and receives stiff competition from Taiwan on foreign mar-

The Fujianese and other Chinese joke that the Cantonese will eat anything with four legs except a table, anything that flies except an aeroplane, and anything that swims except a submarine." Certainly the Cantonese spare no form of wild life, including snake, civet cat, owl, pangolin and salaman-

The Fujianese are more conservative in their tastes, preferring seafoods to fresh water fish and venturing little into their province's steep mountains in search of game.

unngdong and Fujian are two of China's most independent provinces, of Chinese, many of them incomprehensible. The Cantonese, with one main dialect and many sub-dialects, are closer in their speech to the ancient Chinese and cannot be understood by northerners.

Historically the Fujianese have settled in South-east Asia - especially Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia - while the Cantonese have moved to Indochina and farther afield to North America, Britain and Australia. Indochina, however, has been

almost bereft of ethnic Chinese inhabitants since Vietnam ex-. pelled then en masse in 1978. Some 270,000 refugees from Indochina are spread out across the southern Chinese provinces of Guangdong, Yunnan, Guang-xi and Fujian. Guangdong and Fujian are the two provinces singled out for the experiment with special economic zones. which are basically centres of processing and assembly work for light industrial consumer goods, taking advantage of low labour costs in China.

The proximity of Hongkong and Macau has meant the absorption of not only foreign capital, but also - more slowly some modern concepts of management and marketing. It has also led to the import of what the authorities disparag-ingly call "spiritual pollution" popular culture from Hong- forced open the "treaty ports"

tong, Taiwan and the West. Guangdong has long been the sponge through which Western as the new fruits and vegetables discovered in America four centuries ago and now very important to Chinese agriculture - have been absorbed. Jesuit missionaries made it their base in the sixteenth century, while Western merchants traded outside the walls of Canton from the late seventeenth century onwards.

Guangdong was also the first place in China to learn the frightening power of the British Navy and the ability of its gunners to extract trade concessions and eventually territory from the provincial viceroy and the Imperial Court.

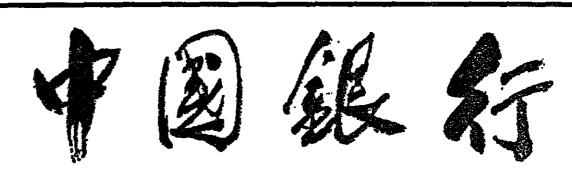
Many Chinese revolutionaries took refuge in Hongkong from persecution in China, including such dissimilar fig-ures as Sun Yat-sen and Chou En-lai. And it was the armies of Guangdong that crowned with success Chiang Kai-shek's expedition against the northern warlords and reunification of the country in 1928.

Fujian lies somewhat to the edge of the Chinese world, once braving pirates to send emigrants across the strait of Taiwan, where Fujianese are the biggest social group. Portugal traded at Quanzhou but paid more attention to Macau. Until Britain and France

in the mid-nineteenth century, Fujian's famous teas went bu the riverine route for sale at seventeenth centuries Spanish made some converts in Fujian. but Christianity was later persecuted in the province and opening of the ports for trade.

The big agricultural reform which has swept China's countryside in the past few ears is showing obvious results themselves how much they will grow and at what prices they will self their crops, on con-dition that they fulfil a contract to deliver a certain amount annually to the state. Though the contract system is less easily applied in fishing the coastal markets are brisk and many people are building new houses. Nonetheless life is still hard

and basic for most of the population, especially in the more remote rural areas. Illegal immigration into Hongkong has been greatly reduced, but only because of a tougher attitude on the part of the British. The pressures for emigration are still there. The people of southern China are well aware of the higher living standards in Hongkong and the outside world, but they are also beginning to enjoy more consumer goods such as refriger-ators and washing-machines.



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Sharing a joke over the vegetables at a kerbside market in Shenzhen, the centre of China's biggest special economic zone. Turning a sweet face to Taiwan

seems to be the watchword of Fujian province, which is among the most isolated in accessible by sea. Arable land and main concentrations of population are located in the long coastal strip, where t staple foods are rice and fish.

Geography has shaped both the livelihood and the outlook of the Fujian people. They are proud and clannish, but also hospitable and humourous.

With their seaward orien-The number of overseas kin is put at some six million, not including those in Taiwan. A steady flow of remittances to relatives brings in healthy foreign currency earnings and flocks of visitors from Hongkong and elsewhere at the Chinese New Year.

Rich in resources, especially seafood and timber, the prov-ince nonetheless lags behind the much bigger Guangdong, which enjoys a fertile hinterland and has a population of more than 60 million (as against Fujian's

Per capita incomes are lower than in Guangdong, especially in the interior, but some of the fishing communes are exceedingly prosperous. There is much new building in and around Fuzhou, the provincial capital, making use of local granite.

We bring China into focus.

FUJIAN FACTS

Area: 120,000 sq km Population: 26 million Capital: Fuzhou Economy: rice, fish, fruit, timber.

from Canton to Fuzhou, though a 20-hour motor coach service has been inaugurated. Passenger sailings operate between Hong-kong and Xiamen (Amoy) and Mawei, the port of Fuzhou on tation, the Fujianese have the Min River. And there are historically settled in Taiwan, direct flights by Trident to South-east Asia and the West. Canton, Shanghai, Peking and

> The reason for the sudden rush to develop Fujian with foreign investment as well as until the death of Mao Tse-tung in 1976. Fujian was considered frontline" province because faces Taiwan, where the Kuomintang (Nationalists) maintain large and modern armed forces.

The days of punishing artillery duels between Fujian and the offshore islands of Jinmen (Quemoy) and Mazu (Matsu) are over, and Taiwan fishermen in distress are welcomed at special reception centres. There is much smuggling across the

Since 1977 the central government has removed the "frontline" tag in accordance with its sweetly reasonable There is not even a railway overtures to Taiwan for peace-

ful reunification. Peking now gambling and other "federal subsidizes the development of Fujian to the tune of about 100m renminbi (£36m) annu-Some 20,000 ethnic Chinese

Foreign investment has been slower coming to Fujian than to Guangdong, Japan's Hitachi is assembling electronic goods with local labour and there is a special economic zone at Amoy. concentrating on export proces-

Incomes vary greatly. The less well-off peasants or fishermen might earn less than £100 a year in cash, and have a mainly subsistence economy. However, the brigade-leader

at a fishing village near Fuzhou put his family's joint income with four able-bodied workers at the equivalent of about £6,000 a year (a huge sum in China).

The sea and estuaries yield abundant foodstuffs - fish, oysters, prawns, crab and - at rock-bottom seaweed prices. There is also a rich harvest of fruit, especially lychees, logans, pineapples, bananas and tangerines. Both the seafood and the fruit are canned or otherwise preserved

In the countryside, old customs die hard. Some young people have been rebuked for sending out the traditional invitations to their wedding banquets, at which every guest makes a contribution in cash. There is a continuing campaign fortune-telling and

refugees from Vietnam, expelled in 1978, have been resettled in Fujian, a small number compared with those now living in Guangdong, including Hainan Island, and in Guanexi and Yunnan.

Restitution is still being made Overseas Chinese families, mainly from Indonesia, who opted to return to China when race relations in that country deteriorated in 1960. During the Cultural Revolution many of them were persecuted or evicted because of jealousy over the higher living standards they enjoyed, and suspicions about

Now that the returned Over-seas Chinese have had their privileges restored they can buy high-quality goods with remittances from their relatives abroad and are given priority in employment, health and edu-

Tourism is being actively developed. Fuzhou itself is a bland modern city, though its streets are made more pleasant by the feathery pines, dwarf mangoes and other indigenous trees planted at the kerb. The main attractions in the province are Xiamen, the picturesque former treaty port, and Quanzhou, with its cultural and

David Bonavia

The Western way of making mone

Foreign visitors to Hongkong investors observed. A flock across the border into the factory worker, at Shenzhen Special Economic 1,000 a month, cos Zone to marvel at China's proud much as his com experiment in blending socialist Hongkong but his ideology with capitalist ways of is much lower. making money. Previously, foreigners could only peep at the slumbering giant from a hilltop inside Hongkong. Today, they can walk through bedrooms of model homes in Shenzhen on a one-day tour.

To visitors, Shenzhen represents the Chinese economy's new look. To the planners in Peking, it is not only a new way of importing foreign capital, technology and management techniques, but also a success that must be maintained so as to demonstrate the leadership's sincerity in adopting a liberal. ig-term open-door policy. To workers in Shenzhen, the town means higher wages, easier access to imported goods, Hongkong-style entertainment, longer working hours greater output.

There are three special economic zones (SEZs) in the southern province of Guang-dong – Shenzhen, Shantou and dong - Shenzhen, Shantou and Zhuhai, the last bordering the Portugese enclave of Macau. A fourth one is Xiamen on the east coast of Fujian province across the strait from Taiwan.

SEZs are designed to accom-modate export industries, a vital means of earning hard currency.
Foreign companies are invited to enter into various types of joint-venture - including capital sharing, processing and assembly, and compensation trade
- with Chinese state-owned
enterprises. Shenzhen SEZ is well ahead of the others and boasts some \$HK 12,300m (about £1,113m) in pledged foreign investment, according to the Shenzhen SEZ development

However, only a small per-centage of the pledged invest-ment is realized: of the \$HK 10,900m promised up to June 1983, only \$HK 2,200m had

"The zone officials are only too eager to cooperate with don't know the rules of the game", a Shenzhen-based foreign banker said. Chinese sometimes don't even ask for the balance sheet of their partner's firm before they sign a contract."

Sheazhen's embryonic capi**ups and downs of the Hong**koc economy, which is not sur prising as Hongkong business men are behind an estimated 8 per cent of foreign investment i the zone. When Hongkong w riding on the crest of a proper boom, Shenzhen's consideral cheaper land attracted ma manufacturers from across t border. They were soon follow by property developers wi hotels, blocks of flats commercial complexes.

Exploration of Pearl River basin

When Hongkong's prope bubble burst in 1982 and land cost difference near vanished, Hongkong manufa turers who needed to expa production looked for existing Shenzhen factories, where th could place orders with making any long-term inves-ment. As the flow of capital in Shenzhen slows down, zode authorities may be rethinking the initial strategy of industria development, indeed, they have already announced a number of large-scale oil-related projects.

This is because Shenzhen at the mouth of the Pearl Rive. in whose basin oil and gs exploration is under way. Chiwan, in Shenzhen's Shelou district, has been designated as a major support base for offshore drilling in the South China Sea. Shekon district, though a part of Shenzhen SEZ, is separately managed by China Merchants Steam Navigation, the Hongkong arm of the Chinese Ministry of Communi-

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ort, built wit loans from the Arab Development Fund of talist economy is affected by the Kuwait, was empleted late last year and has direct flights to Hongkong, Shanghai, Peking and Canton: A belicopter service between Zhahai and Canton was recently inaugurated. Shanton, the lest developed of the SEZs, his a freight and passenger shipping service, a joint-venture with a Thai com-

> The reatively small size of Xiamen, Shanton and Zhuhai SEZs – which together ar to less than 7 per cent of Shenzhen SEZ's area - makes for bette planning and manage ment. Zhuhai, for example, focuses on exploiting its scenic landscape; its location on the west back of the Pearl River makes it a convenient holiday spot for expatriate oilmen. By September 1983, Zhuhai officials, were claiming pledged foreign investment of SUS 1.130m (about £800m), some US 21m of which had been pent, mainly in tourism and its offshoot industries. Last year, Zhahdi SEZ was extended to embrice Shijingshan, a major tomis attraction.

Chinese official reports of Xiamen's development are con-fined to the number of business visitors to the zone and the preferential tax treatment offered to foreign investors. It was reported in October 1983 that total pledged investment amounted to SUS 150m, but 10 information is available on actual investment. Major rojects in Xiamen SEZ are China's third Coca-Cola outtling plant, a tile fatory capitalized at SUS 4.350 and inuaced by a Singapor Chinese, and the joint-manufacture of a new cigarette brandwith R. J. Reynolds Tobacco of the United States. Teresa Ma

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High hopes for offshore oil

Initial disappointment at 1j. abandonment of BP's fus. exploration well in the South China Sea has now evaporated. government. The outcome has been put into perspective and the oil industry different geological formations earnings goes to the govern-and has already started drilling ment. This is done so that the there. Earlier this month, Esso China, the operator for a joint venture between Esso and Shell, began drilling in the western part of the Pearl River basin.

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the South China Sea cannot be overestimated. It has been described as possibly another North Sea or as the next Alaska It is the one remaining area in the world where the potential for a really important oil field

exists. That BP did not strike oil at he first attempt does not mean that the seismic surveys on the area were wrong. Oil traces were found where the surveys said they would be, but not in commercially viable quantities. The first drilling in the North Sca followed the same pattern.
Moreover, BP's five drilling concessions in the South China Sea cover massive areas compared with the North Sea licence blocks.

The two BP wells and those which will follow when other groups move their rigs into the area are already affecting the local economy. Shore bases are being developed and money namely, the share of the oil, from the Western companies is after taxes, which goes to the oil

The Chinese workers being trained and employed by BP and those who watch its and its competitors are paid by activities closely still believe the companies at the going that the area has enormous world rate for drilling crews, but potential. The BP drill ship has in fact receive only the national moved on to another block with average wage. The rest of their Chinese workers do not feel inferior in earning power to the Westerners they work alongside, while at the same time not feeling superior to their For China and the oil countryman ashore employed companies the importance of in agriculture or more traditional industries.

Royalties and the X factor

Chinese government will start ing production licence deals to take a considerable slice of rather than buying hardware the revenue. Too big a slice, say some companies that have not possible seeking to pay in

Initially, China National Offshore Oil Corporation (CNOOC), the national oil Offshore company, has the option to take up a 51 per cent stake in any development project. In addition, there are royalties, taxes and the so-called "X" factor,

flowing into that part of China company - an important via the pockets of the Chinese element in the bidding process drill crews and through the under which blocks have been a second station of similar allocated. Contract terms vary between companies and ation. between blocks, and even vary

> It is expected that food supplies and services for the offshore sector, stand-by tugs and firefighting ships, will all come from Chinese companies.

The potential for oil-related exports to China will be limited to high-technology and highly specialized drilling equipment. In this area, Britain stands to gain a great deal, especially as much of the technology to be used has been developed in the North Sea and will be available through the British government's Offshore Supplies Office at the Department of Energy.

However, even in this area the Chinese are expected to When oil is found, the drive a tough bargain, negotiatbothered to bid for licences. But compensation agreement deals those companies that have or perhaps in oil rather than in already won licences regard the hard cash. Using Chinese oil to potential rewards as so great as pay for British goods would to be worth the high taxation bring business to the oil trading department of British oil companies, adding to Britain's

> Britain is likely to reap a quicker financial benefit from the Chinese decision to build a 1.800 megawatt nuclear power station at Daya Bay in Guangdong. The project, worth £3,200m, is a joint development

capacity are under consider-

with different production levels. The scheme has run into environmental objections because of its proximity to Hongkong, but it is likely that it will be producing its first electricity in 1989, and work on the second phase could have

> Originally it was planned to complete the power station in 1991 - a more realistic target, according to engineers who have been involved in evaluating the scheme - and to sell 70 per cent of its output to Hongkong. The Hongkong interest, led by China Light and Power, one of the largest of the colony's utility companies, has not yet been invited to take part in the second stage of the

already started by then.

Britain hopes that GEC will win the turbine and generating plant for the station, with the contract for the two 900 megawatt reactors going to Framatome of France.

Britain is likely to win a large share of the "invisible" earnings from the project. British mer-chant bankers are advising on the financial packages required by the contractors bidding for the project and on the overall financial package.

> David Young Energy Correspondent

Rushing into tourism on treasure island

potential bring it into the front rank of foreign exchange earners over the next decade or so.

produces coffee, rubber and numerous other commodities useful in the domestic economy as well as the export market, Last May Mr Liang Lingguang, Governor of Guangdong provnce, to which the big island belongs, promised an annual 10 per cent increase in provincial subsidies on top of an outright grant of about £6m.

Transport facilities are badly in need of development. Extension work is in progress at Haikou, the capital, Basuo and Qinglan and a new port is being built at Sanya in the far south, which is a submarine base. here are to be steamer services to Hongkong and Canton.

CAAC, the national airline, is to operate direct flights from Hongkong and Canton to Haikou and Sanya, and a microwave communications link is in the pipeline.

It is hoped to raise open-cut coal mining to more than 500,000 tonnes in the next three years and to build a coal-fired 50,000 kilowatt power plant at Kengkou.

There are also plans to triple annual dry rubber production to tonnes by the end of the century. Hainan accounted for nearly 70 per cent of China's rubber output in 1983.

> To prevent further despoliation of natural resources and the environment, tree-felling at some locations has been banned and Canton will pay for afforestation work instead, More than 60,000 acres of mudflats and 160,000 acres of freshwater area will be used for

the provincial government's will be of greater importance for plan to develop Hainan for a long time to come. tourism. The government is pinning hopes on "winter swimmers" coming from Hongkong - but Hongkong has its own beaches, and Cantonese people rarely swim in winter. even in the relatively mild climate of South China.

Tourist facilities so far are almost non-existent and the

South China's "Treasure Is- coastal towns are poor and land", Haman, is under-going dirty. However, it was Mr Hu rapid and even headlong devel- Yaobang, general secretary of opment to ensure that its the Chinese Communist party, tropical products and tourist who dubbed Hainan "Treasure reconstruing being its interest of the Chinese Communist party, tropical products and tourist who dubbed Hainan "Treasure Island" when he visited it last year, so work will go ahead. Meanwhile the party is taking

Though not strictly speaking a long, hard look at the in the tropical zone, Hainan is population problem. Having the only part of China which significant ethnic minority groups - Miao and Li, whose sexual customs are somewhat picturesque - the authorities must tread carefully and follow the policy of being more lenient to minorities in matters of birth control than the Han (ethnic Chinese).

However, it is now strongly recommended to the Miao and Li that they should conform to the national guideline of one child, but they will not be penalized, as Han people are if they have two. Three, however, is "out". One or both of the parents must undergo contraceptive surgery or insertion of the ring.

Stripped of political powers

To improve Hainan's foreign trade, the island is being given more autonomy in its handling of import-export deals. Promising export crops are pineapple, cashew nuts, tea, medicinal herbs, lemon-grass and melons. Customs in Haikou have been instructed to cause the least possible impediment to import of machinery and equipment needed for the island's develop-ment. The People's Liberation Army is playing a significant role in engineering and sitepreparation, as well as planting of rubber and coconut trees, the latter on the streets of Sanya.

The 34,200 square kilometre island, with its population of some 5.7 million, is also to have more industry. Emphasis will initially be placed on machinebuilding, though processing and Somewhat controversial is canning of agricultural products

> Foreign businessmen and delegations have been visiting Hainan to survey the prospects for investment and joint ventures. Contracts have been signed for a cement factory, a piggery, a solar-energy plant, and a yard for building fishing

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Bumpy ride for BA privatization plans

Lord King, chairman of British Airways, has an important engagement with the Prime Minister this morning. Both remain dedicated to privatizing BA, but Lord King now senses that some of the ground may be taken from under his feet by the combined forces of Sir Adam Thomson, lobbying skillfully for British Calendoman, a laid back Secretary of State for Transport in the languid shape of Mr Nicholas Ridley a wet and confused Tory Aviation Committee, and the discreetly powerful Civil Aviation Authority. In a nutshell, Lord King would argue that it would be better for BA to remain stateowned, coining money for the Exchequer than to come to the City with a prospectus holed by the transfer or profitable routes to British Caledonian.

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An exaggeration, of course, but hardly an overstatement of BA's fear that the Whitehall wind is now blowing too strongly in BCal's favour. To BA the CAA's award of a licence to BCal to fly the London to Riyadh route is a prophetic straw: BA no longer feels confident that of husiness from BA to BCal if the CAA's present inquiry into aviation policy extends to a recommendation that BCal should have a bigger slice of the action.

Understandably. Lord King feels a little cross that his and his team's achievement in turning BA into a viable airline in two years might might be deflated in the run up to privatization, scheduled at present for March next year. BA has drastically slimmed its bloated labour force, with little union trouble; closed off an indexlinked pension fund: begun punching its weight in all its commercial operations: resisted the blandishments of the Treasury

in not putting all its goods in the window in preparation for the privatization issue; and made a profit before interest comfortably in excesss of £250m in the year to end of March. It seems that the sight of a big, powerful and efficient BA has struck terror in some Conservative fainthearts; hence the trying on of the

BA is not afraid of competition from BCal, which is not what Sir Adam Thomson actually wants. He proposes that some BA routes should be transferred, at a price, to BCal: with them would come BA's profits. BCal deserves every legitimate encouragement but if, as it would appear. Sir Adam is under pressure from leading shareholders who want BCal to be floated so that they can reduce their shareholdings, then this should be clearly understood. A BCal prospectus primed with some juicy BA routes would have added appeal.

Lord King can be relied on to bring the fight over routes into the open He would regard BCai as a predator to be fought as predators are normally fought when companies in private industry clash. But his main weapon might turn out to be British Telecommunications. Thinking the unthinkable for a moment, mounting doubts and reservations about BT's future role as a private sector monopoly might just delay the flotation beyond the

If that happened the sale of BA could be brought forward to satisfy the Treasury's enormous appetite for the proceeds of asset sales. BA's prospectus, especially if Lord King has his wish and a 100 per cent of the equity is offered, would need all the charm at the Government's command.

Looking to the medium term

One of the Chancellor's main tasks in the Budget will be to breathe new life into the Government's tattered Medium Term Financial Strategy for reducing inflation, which has been the subject of some badmouthing in the City recently. Put simply, the City wants the Chancellor to show how he proposes to get from here - 5 per cent inflation - to there - the price stability the Governmen, has made its

Mr Lawson has nev- promised stable prices within the lifetime of the present Parliament (nor is he necessarily committed to zero as opposed to very low inflation). But the further into the distant future that goal is pushed the less credible an object of policy it appears.

So the pressure is on for the Government to demonstrate that price stability is within its grasp. Mr Lawson's problem is that the MTFS embodies only the shallowest of declines in money growth and public borrowing, with a commensurately snail-like approach to zero inflation. (It would not be believed if it did not.) Hence the suggestion being considered by ministers of extending the MTFS from the present three years to a full five years in the Budget.

One intriguing aspect of this proposal is that the Treasury would have to pencil in numbers for public borrowing and so for state spending for the two years beyond 1986-87, the final year covered by last week's public spending White Paper. Mr Lawson's Cabinet colleagues may not relish the prospect of battling with the

Treasury on spending again next year with one hand tied behind their backs.

No numbers adorn Mr Roy Hattersley's alternative Budget, unveiled to his constituency Labour party last night. It is not hard to understand why. Last year's Labour programme, with every extra spending proposal running into the billions, became a clear electoral embar-

Mr Hattersley, by contrast, is clearly trying to present the City with the acceptable face of socialism - proposing only a "moderate" increase in public borrowing. And to industry, he is trying to present something more than acceptable a positively appealing combination of policies to revive manufacturing.

This is a clever strategy, in two respects. Industrialists, like the rest of humanity, easily feel under-appreciated; if the Chancellor does not sweeten his Budget by making another cut in employers' national insurance surcharge, Mr Hattersley can now conveniently claim that he was in favour of abolishing it.

But meanwhile, Mr Hattersley will have scored in another political direction. His outline of Labour economic policy, in its apparent moderation, is a clear attempt to upstage the Alliance. It is hard enough to mark out a distinctive economic policy between Tory and Labour when the two are rushing to unpalatable extremes. As the Government's strategy begins to yield good results, and Mr Hattersley softens Labour's image, distinction becomes still harder for the party in the middle.

NEWS IN BRIEF

UK backs freer rules on imports

Britain is to argue for liberalization of the rules of origin governing imports into the European Community from the African, Caribbean and Pacific countries under the

The proposals may include abolishing the "safeguard" clause designed to protect leading European industries like

A paper drafted by the Department of Trade and Industry also looks at amending the rules of origin so that African, Caribbean and Pacific countries may export more freely to the EC goods not

 Wall Street prices remained lower in moderate early trading vesterday and the Dow Jones industrial average was down fractionally at about 1.148. Losing issues held a six to five lead over gainers. The volume

• A venture capital investment trust is being launched by Statham Duff Stoop, the stockbrokers, with Mr Edward du Cann as chairman. It will raise up to £5m by selling up to 20 million shares at 25p each to the public. It expects to invest £1.75m in the first six months and has three high technology companies already lined up.

Steel and foundries group F H. Lloyd Holdings has taken over Rollstud, a supplier of high quality fastenings to the oil, gas and petrochemical industries, in a £950,000 deal as part of its

board to reject a bid for the company by Cluff Oil.

Franchising sales may soar to £1bn level

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

With franchising penetrating new sectors in Britain, sales are growing 16 per cent a year, and the British Franchise Association is predicting overall sales of nearly £1bn by the end of this year. The number of jobs in franchising by this year's end is expected to have risen by two-thirds in two years to a total of

About 5.000 franchised businesses have now been estabin Britain, Mr Brian Smith, the newly elected chairman of the BFA said yesterday. add another 20 outlets this year. | surgence of inflation.

By Andrew Cornelius

Guest Keen & Nettlefolds plans to conclude a series of collaboration deals with foreign

formerly Associated Engineer-

But franchising has branched out well beyond the fast-food chains with which it tends to be identified.

Anicare Group Services with headquarters at Shoreham. Sussex, is franchising a veterinary service. Aids Computer Services in Finchley, London, is an accountancy franchise which also offers a company "doctor" service.

Among the older established franchise operations the Wimpy fast food chain is planning to

Foreign collaboration if AE bid fails

GKN finds merger alternative

interest rates were mentioned

yesterday as a factor in the

dollar's advance, dealers poin-

ted out that rates had risen last

week without any perceptible

tensions persist or worsen the

traditional attractions of the

dollar may reassent themselves.

There are growing fears that the

Federal Reserve may move to

ighten credits, and push up

interest rates to dampen the

booming economy which threatens to spark off a re-

However, if Middle East

The plan will be invoked if GKN's takeover bid is blocked by the Government on monopoly grounds, or if the AE board launches a successful defence against a renewed takeover attempt by GKN.

Sir Trevor Holdsworth, chairman of GKN, said, in an interview with The Times, we do not conclude the AE takeover we would follow our alternative plan within three to six months"

He said that the plan had been carefully researched by GKN after the decision last September kby the Government to refer the £67m takeover for investigation by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

ideal options

GKN has close contacts with most of the world's leading component makers and is determined to expand its presence in the engine components field by exploiting its contacts with motor manufacturers like Ford and General Motors

Sir Trevor added that the alternatives to merging with AE

were not "ideal".

He gave a warning that if the Government did decide to reject GKN's argument that the motor components market should be treated as a European, or world market, rather than a British market then it could have potentially disastrous consequences for the British motor industry.

The logic of the merger with AE is as valid now as it was when GKN first launched its takeover attempt last year

together a strong engine parts

hostility from buyers in the field over the propose merger of AE and GKN to create a monopoly supply of engine components leading motor manufacturers.

Stock Exchange to cut costs on large gilt-edged deals

By Our City Staff

The Stock Exchange yester-day cut the cost of dealing in mulit-million poind gilt-edged deals as part of its move to abolish the market's minimum commissions structure on stocks and shares. It is estimated the changes will wipe between £10m and £15m from the annual income of the big stockbroking firms, whose main revenue comes from large deals in Government stocks. Gift dealings accounts for 85 per cent of the total turnover of the Stock Exchange.

The Stock Exchange's minimum commission structure is due to be abolished by the end of 1986 under its agreement with the Government last

The Exchange statemnt said that the abolition of fixed commission on smaller gilt bargains and on all equity

Pound and

dollar rise

on Gulf

oil fears

By Frances Williams

Economics Correspondent

The dollar and sterling gained

sharply on world currency

markets yesterday as fears of an

interruption to the West's oil supplies from the Middle East

During heetle trading in

Europe the dollar rose above DM 2.72 before subsiding near

the end to close in London at

DM 2.7025, 1.68 pfennigs up on

The pound, buoyed by its

petro-currency status, surged ahead against the European and

currencies. Its trade-weighted

index rose 0.4 to 82.7 per cent

of its 1975 value, the highest level reached this year, with a gain of 2.75 pfennings to DM 3.9150 and 1.25 yen to Y339.

Against the dollar the pound

remained fairly steady, losing only 20 points to \$1,4440, after

rising above \$1.45 earlier in the

Dealers said yesterday that it

was too carly to say whether the

recent decline in the dollar

would now be reversed - but

there was no doubt that the

market had had a bad attack of

the Gulf war, reinforced

haven.

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ing fairly steady.

bargains will not be made before autumn next year.

The adjustments in large bargain gilt commissions means a reduction of between 10 per cent and 20 per cent in the commission charged for bargains valued at £500,000 and £20m. This would mean that an

institution trading £10m of long-dated Government stock would save more than £1,000 or 15 per cent of its commission costs, while a £20m deal would save £2.000. There will, however, be no change on deals of up to £250,000.

The move has caused a wide difference of opinion within the Stock Exchange Council, Two weeks ago after a heated debate the council agreed in principle to sending the Exchange's markets committee back to

last of its formal defence

documents to shareholders amid

growing confidence among its

directors that the company will

survive Hanson Trust's nine-

week takeover siege.
The £247m bid reaches its

climax next Tuesday and all the indications are that the result

will be finely balanced. Hanson

only needs another 21 per cent

of the shares to win but while

success seemed almost certain

when it raised its bid for the

third time to 165p a share in

cash a week ago, market

observors are now beginning to doubt that it has done enough to

One fund manager said that

Hanson may have made a grave

tactical error in raising its share

stake to 30 per cent over the last

This indicates to me that

Hanson will return with another

bid in a year's time if it loses

this one, underwriting the share

price and providing London

Brick with the incentive to

"If Hanson has not raised its

share stake, people might have

been frightened into accepting

the bid in the belief that the

win the day.

London Brick board

strengthens defence

London Brick today posts the good if rejected," he added.

New minimum gilt-edged commissions (from April 9)

Long-dated (more than 10 years to run) 0.8° on first £2.500 0.25° on next £15.500 0.125° on next £232.000 0.1° on next £750,000 0.09° on next £3m 0.04° on next £6m 0.02° on excess Medium-dated (5-10 years to run)

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remain at discretion

yesterday's meeting of the 46pleased few members.
One stockbroker said: "This

are just round the corner from dual capacity, but before it culculate the figures.

The issue was put the vote at we are about to enter the most

This arguement, that with

London Brick shares yielding

over 7 per cent shareholders will lose nothing by sticking with the

Hanson in the background, has

been exploited to the full by the

Some have been told of

comments that Lord Hanson is

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Jeremy Rowe. London Brick's

the takeover battle. He

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Today's defence document

will, underline the company's

desire for continued indepen-

over the past few days.

competitive period we've ever

The commissions adjustment takes effect on April 9, the same day that fixed commissions for those dealing in overseas securities is abolished.

The Stock Exchange intends to issue a discussion document on the future structure of the market as soon as possible. It says that it would be impractical to abolish commissions before next autumn because of the measures needed to ensure the continuing liquidity and efficiency of the central market and afford proper protection to

investors.

Exco International, the money broker, plans to start a London stockbroking firm later this year, according to Mr John Gunn, chief executive. He told journalists last night that he planned to use two members of Exco's Hongkong-based WICO firm as the nucleus. Exco will hold 29 per cent of the shares.

Indicators

Shares upon ICI hopes

The equity market is still hoping for a bumper set of profits from ICI tomorrow and could hardly contain its excitement yesterday as share prices continued to advance.

The FT Index closed 6.8 up at 819.3, while the Stock Exchange Index of 100 leading shares rose 9.0 to 1,044. Demand again centred on specialist situations, but dealers remained in a confident mood and expect equities to race ahead once the ICI figures were

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STOCK EXCHANGES SE 100 Index: 1044.4 up 9.0 FT Index: 819.3 up 6.8 FT Gilts: 82.98 up 0.19 FT All Share: 494.30 up 3.44 Bargains: 20,532

Datastream USM Leaders Index: 106.99 up 0.27 New York: Dow Jones Average: (latest) 1142.27 Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones

index 9.970.64 up 32.81 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1066.91 down 5.90

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE

Index 82.7 up 0.4 DM 3.9150 up 0.0275 FrF 12.0700 up 0.0075 Yen 339.00 up 1.25 Dollar

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Domestic rates: Bank base rates 9 Finance houses base rate 91/2 Discount market loans week 3 month interbank 313/32 - 93/8

The shorter leading index.

confirm recovery Sterling \$1.4440 down 20pts

By Our Economics Correspondent

The recovery looks set to continue throughout the coming year, according to the latest set company for another year with of indicators which signal the course of the British economy.

The longer leading index, which foreshadows turning points in the economy about 12 months ahead, rose again last company's merchant bank, Lazard Brothers, in an intensive lobby of leading shareholders month, continuing the upward trend which with few interruptions, has been sustained for three years. The Government's economic

forecast, to be published next chairman, at the beginning of month with the Budget, is expected to reaffirm growth this owning London Brick had been year of 3 per cent, the same as an unattainable dream for him last year, with the upswing fixed 91/16 when his company was smaller continuing into 1985. The January longer leading index is based on only three of

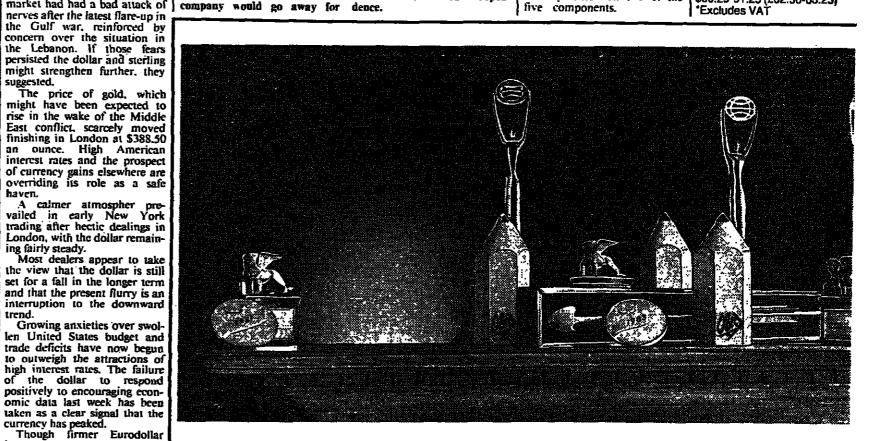
intention to acquire it once big the five components and may In the stock market London be revised later. Higher share Brick's shares are standing at a prices have been the main cause of the rise in recent months but 3p discount to Hanson's cash terms and are well below the the other components have also value of the convertible loan contributed, the Central Statstock alternative offer because istical Office said. of fears that the bid may fail.

which looks about six months ahead, also rose again in January, based on two of the five components.

INTEREST RATES

London fixed (per ounce): am \$388.25 pm \$389.00

close \$388.25-388.75 (£269.00-269.50) New York (latest): \$385f .25 Krugerrand* (per coin): \$400.00-41.50 (£277.00) Sovereigns* (new): \$90.25-91.25 (£62.50-63.25)



You still need one more, for effect.

Here, to feast aspiring eyes on, is the advertising equivalent of a VC, MC, DSO and several bars. For conspicuous ingenuity in the face of parity products and cut-throat competition in the commercial trenches. To suggest there is something missing

appears to border on the irreverent. But the sobering truth is that advertising must constantly prove its worth if it is to be allowed the creative elbow-room

A kind of commercial Catch-22 which gives the 1984 IPA Advertising Effectiveness Awards a special importance.

They are, in fact, the only awards to rank results with creativity: to canvass the vital questions of why, how and for how much a campaign worked; and to submit the accountability of an entire agency to scrutiny by some of Britain's keenest commercial minds.

The judging panel is chaired by Sir Terence Beckett, Director-General of the CBI, and comprises James Best, Charles Channon, Professor Peter Doyle, Stephen King and Nick Phillips. Closing date for entries is July 9th.

That may sound a long way ahead but now is the time to start preparing your entry because the requirements are certainly more detailed, and arguably more demanding than for any other award.

Full details, with the "How to Win" leaflet, are available from Janet Mayhew at the IPA (01-235 7020) or by clipping the coupon below.

With £15,000 in prize money and considerable kudos - not to mention coverage -for the winners, we can expect many agencies to respond. Sadly, many more will say 'manana' or

plead pressure of work - even though the awards exist to tell the world how important that work is.

And so the gap in their collection, and their credibility, will remain.

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wholly made in their areas. motor component manufac-turers, if it fails in ints attempt to takeover rival Midlands was 16 million shares. components manufacturer AE.

expansion into oil and offshore Shareholders in Oil and Associated Investment Trust have been advised by their



according to Sir Trevor.

"Nothing has altered to change the logic for putting group," he added. GKN maintains that al-

there may be some like bearings, cylinder liners and from senior management at

at Wolverhampton Wanderers Chelsea in 1965. on December 27 it was as bottom of their wishing well. seemed, was avoid relegation; two errors by Spink and but they caught the glint of Bremner allowed Sheedy and but they caught the glint of silver and their fortunes changcd dramatically.

Unbeaten since in 14 matches, their subsequent rise has lifted them clear of trouble and, more significantly, on to a two-lane highway to Wembley. As well as reaching the last eight of the FA Cup, they take a 2-0 lead into the second leg of their Milk Cup semi-final against Aston Villa tonight.

The facts suggest that Everton will continue their recovery and go through to meet Liverpool in the final on March 25. The first is that Villa, who need to win by three clear goals, have achieved that aim only twice this season, against an apathetic Ipswich Town in the League and against Manchester City in the third round. The second is that none of Everton's last 14 opponents have scored more than once. Rateliffe and Mountfield, a central partnership formed just over two months ago, can justifiably claim to have tightened a defence that has conceded only six goals in

the last 22 hours. Yet these figures will count for nothing if Everton relax this evening, particularly in the first 22 minutes. With the heavy scent of an early breakthrough and the raucous noise of their supporters. Villa could still protect their own record of losing only one of seven semi-

long way on the road to recovery since Jock Wallace returned as

manager in November, aim to reach

their destination tonight. Victory over Dundee United will take them

into their thrid successive Scottish

League Cup at Hampden Park on March 25.

test of football and character we have faced since I came tack here."

A late goal last week earned Rangers a 1-1 draw is the first leg at Dundee. Now they face the reigning

premier division champions with

home advantage and a huge support charged with renewed optimism. Nothing less than 90 minutes of

Wallace has made two changes to

the side which beat Inverness

on Saturday. Clark replaces Williamson, who is cup-tied, and a

training injury to the centre-half, Peterson, means that McPherson

will come into the defence.

to the finish."

Wallace said: "This is the biggest

When Everton went down 3-0 finals in the competition, to

Villa have only themselves to though they were touching the blame for the size of their task. During a disjointed first leg that All they could realistically do, it was almost devoid of quality. Richardson to give Everton their hefty advantage. Richardson been ruled out with a broken wrist and replaced by King.

Spink. Villa's goalkeeper, admitted: "There was a complete lack of communication, a misunderstanding terrible Nobody shouted for the ball. Everton must think they are through but it would dangerous to write us off.

Spink, who made his full international debut during last summer's tour to Australia. but was omitted from the England squads to play France next week, added: "I know that I have made a few mistakes recently. I need a lot more experience before becoming an

England regular".
Tony Barton, Villa's manager, whose own future is threatened by failure, revealed his strategy yesterday. There was nothing surprising about it. "We have to own Everton in their own half and keep chipping away." he said. "But we must not get too excited. If the goals don't come, we must not hit the panic button".

ASTON VILLA: N Spirk; G Williams, C Gibson, A Evans, D Bremner, D Mortimer, A Curbisley, G Shaw, P Withe, S McMahon, M Walters.

EVERTON: N Southall. G Stevens, J Bailey, K Ratcliffe, D Mountfield, P Reid, A Irvine, A Heath, G Sharp, A King, K Sheedy. Refere: K Hackett (Sheffield).

test on a troublesome ankle injury.
"At the moment he looks doubtful,"

their manager. Jim McLean, said.
The holders, Celtic, meet Aberdeen in the first leg of their semifinal at Pittodrie. Recent history
clearly favours Aberdeen, the
European Cup holders, who have
not lost a cup tie to Celtic since Alex

ror tost a cup the to Cente since Alex Ferguson arrived as Aberdeen's manager five years ago. Ferguson said: "This is the only cup I have not won yet, so maybe

this year we will get the breaks.
Celtic are a hardworking side, but
they haven't got over the loss of
Charlie Nicholas yet."

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ALLIANCE PHEMBER LEAGUE: WHEBERT 2, Yeovil 1: Worcester v Maidstone postponed. CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Notingham Forest v Aston Villa, postponed. Second division: Chesterfield 4, Rotherhem 1. FOOTBALL COOMBINATION: Crystal Palaca 2, Bristol Rovers 2; Southempton 1, Norwich 3. LONDON SENIOR CUP: Croydon 0, Dulwich 1. MIDWEEK LEAGUE CUP: Cambridge United 1, Paterborough 2.

Peterborough 2.
GILBERT RECE PLOODLIGHT CUP: Lewes 3, Darking 4 (egg 6-5).

test of character

Rangers, who have travelled a appearance in the final in five ong way on the road to recovery seasons, give Bannon a late fitness

non-stop endeavour will satisfy me." Wallace said. "We learned a hard lesson against Hearts recently, when we lost two goals in the last few minutes, and the players now know they have to keep soing right.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS CUP: First Southerd 5, Reading 0: Transmere 2, Hall the players now they have to keep soing right.

Wallace: looking for 90 minutes' non-stop endeavour

By Keith Macklin

The increasing importance of junior and schoolboy rugby is highlighted by the first ever tour of the British schools under-19 team to Australia in July 2015.

Australia in July, culminating in an

austratia in July. Comminating in an international match in Sydney against the powerful Australian Combined High Schools.

The tour will be under the auspices of BUSCARLA, the British Under Schools and Colleges Ama-

Lyper Schools and Colleges Ama-teur Rugby League Association, and will be undertaken by a party of young professional players, ama-teurs and Rugby Union players, all of whom are full-time students in the sixth form and invest sollers.

the sixth form and upper colleges of

Change of style for England

The Football Association have signed a £1.5m agreement with the Cheshire-based sportswear company. Umbro, to provide England's shirts, tracksuits and training kit for the next five years. Umbro supplied the shirts in which England won the 1966 World Cup, and there is a striking similarity between their new alternative strip, and that which England were on the day of triumph **Revived Rangers in**

The first choice white strip will have simply a red, white and blue facing at the neck and coff, with the alternative a red shirt. The three lions England badge figures far more prominently, after the more prominently, after the more giannicky designs supplied by Admiral in recent years. In return for the five-year contract, Umbro will have worldwide marketing rights to the kit and souvenirs. rights to the kit and souvenirs.

The FA have ensured, however, that the style can be amended only once in the period of the agreement. "We had to ensure that parents and children would not need to pay out every season to keep up with the
England team," the FA secretary,
Ted Croker, said. Mr Croker also
confirmed that there was no possibility of a sponsor's name appearing on the England shirt at any time in the foreseeable future.

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"We have had offers to sponsor individual internationals in the past, but did not think it fitting, so I cannot see us getting a sponsor in the way that so many league teams have", Mr Crocker said. "In fact, I think we have seen the end of new sponsorship for a while, especially as we have support for the coaching school which has been one of the FA's priorities for some time."

The Umbro marketing director, Cola Ross, described the strip as "the dignified and classical look which is England's shirt and not a manufacturer's". The contract has a basic fee of just over £1m, which can be increased to £1 5m if Fouland be increased to £1.5m if England period.

Phil Neal, dropped from the England squad for the international England squad for the international in France on February 29, was among the players invited by Umbro to model the new strip, at a press launch in London yesterday. "It's typical of Phil's thoroughly professional approach that he kept the date", the England manager, Bobby Robson, said. "He could yet get around to wearing the new shirt for real".

Robson described the new shirt as Robson described the new shirt as "chic". He said: "It gives a new prominence to the badge and mixes simplicity with originality. It's a new shirt for a new breed of player".

Villa in trouble over shirts

Aston Villa are the first English cinb to face disciplinary action over an alleged contravention of tele-vision shirt advertising regulations. The club was yesterday summoned by the Football League to a management committee commission to be held shortly in London. The trouble arose at Aston Villa's

I he trouble arose at Aston Villa's home game against Liverpool on January 20, shown live on BBC television, when it is claimed Villa's sponsorship shirts logo was larger than permitted under league rules.

Villa's commercial manager, Tony Stephens said "sort contract."

Villa's commercial manager,
Tony Stephens said "our contract
with the Japanese business machine
company Mita is due to be signed
before the game against Evertoa
tomorrow and I am sure they will not
be pleased to have their name
involved in this matter. In the rush
to put the Mits togo on our shirts for
the night of the Liverpool live game
we made a genuine mistake **RUGBY LEAGUE**

Under-19 party to tour Australia

Frank Barrow has confirmed his resignation as Oldham coach, but only after next Sunday's Challenge Cup tie at Wigan (Keith Macklin

writes). Barrow vesterday agreed to supervise this week's training for the

tie. He said: "I believe Oldham are desperately in need of a new face, but I can't leave them in the lurch." Barrow is adamant about his

resignation, which follows the 42-8 trouncing at Whitehaven on Sunday.

Whitehaven's first win of the season. He succeeded Peter Sme-

thurst as coach only a fortnight ago, after being assistant coach for 14 months. Smethurst also resigned, because he felt the Oldham players were not giving of their best for him.

who cost Wigan a reputed £35,000, when they persuaded him to sign senior forms. Others on professional

forms are Moulden (Bradford Northern), Wood (Hunslet), Morris

(Oldham), Hulme (Widnes), Wilson

Supporters round on idols of past Bonn (Reuter) - West German the final, attracted an unpre-

face abuse and insults from disgruntled supporters. League clubs are alarmed at this rift. Many believe the problem must be tackled quickly before it cripples the game. Harald Schumacher, the national team's goalkeeper, was shocked when one supporter asked him:
"Why are you so arrogant?"
Another asked: "Is it because you earn so much money that you care so little about what happens in the

England's new look: back row: Woodcock, Spink and Walsh. Front: Robson and Barnes

stadium?"
Schumacher said the meeting with supporters arranged by the Cologne club resembled an inquistion and vowed he would never attend another. The Cologne manager sighed nastespically for the days when supporters merely wanted to know what size of boots the players

Schumacher's experience is not an isolated one. Paul Breitner, the former Bayern Munich and national team midfield player, said he retired from the game at 31 partity because he was "no longer prepared to be called a swine by eight-year-old fans. Bernard Dietz, a former national team captain, with 13 years' League experience, says spectators attitudes have changed: If you pause for breath, he said, they are liable to shout: "Move yourselfe, you lazy

Ask a West German supporter what he thinks of the state of the game, and he is almost certain to reply that the players are overpaid, arrogant and cosseted, and that they put little effort into the sport which rewards them so lavishly.

The discontent can be traced to the 1982 World Cup in Spain, where the national team, despite reaching

cedented wave of bad publicity. An unexpected 2-1 defeat at the hands of Algeria, the 1-0 win over Austria, which looked like an arranged result, and Schumacher's semi-final foul that put Patrick Battiston, of France, in hospital were all

Arrogant statements to the pres and refusals to give interviews did not help. But the biggest faux pas of all occurred at Gijon when players threw water over West German supporters to drive them from the The national side stumbled badly

The national side stumbled badry before qualifying for the European Championship finals, losing twice to Northern Ireland and only beating Albania at home with a goal 10 minutes from time. Then, for the first time, not one of the six clubs in European competitions reached the European competitions reached the quarter-finals.

League attendances last season fell from 8.3m five years ago to 6.2m, the lowest figure since 1972-73, when the game was recovering from a bribery scandal. There is little evidence of any improvemen Borussia Dortmund are following

Cologne in starting meetings between players an supporters, and Bayer Leverkusen have started a Bayer Leverkusen have started a public relations campaign under the ogan "Professionals with heart".

More cynical observers say the only way to satisfy a football public brought up on success is to offer

Yesterday's results

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Burningham Watlord 1: Fulham 0. Lecester 4
REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Cembrid Uraversity 1. Southern Ametical League XI 2

Gould disciplines seven for 'letting down' club

goalkeeper, Raddi Avramovic, to the reserves for the remainder of the season because of poor displays, has disciplined seven of his apprentice

All aged 17, they had been suspended by a local education college for unpunctuality, disobedience and disrespect to the leaching staff. Gould fined them two weeks' wages, imposed an 11pm curfew, and ordered them not to use the team bus to travel the five miles to the training camp.

He said: "I know codes of

behaviour have changed but I still believe discipline is needed. These young men let down this club and if they are ever fortunate enought to play for us, then I will know I played

 Wigan Athletic's manager, Harry McNally, who has reshaped them on a shoestring budget, has accepted a two-year contract. He took over in the summer, when the no contract.

Alan Kelly, who has steered Preston North End out of relegation trouble since taking over from Gordon Lee at Christmas, has been rewarded with a new contract which will keep him at Deepdale at lea • The full back, Brian Sparrow's Gillingham has been extended by remains on the injury list with a foo

United are blacked out Manchester United's plan to

persuade supporters not to travel to their European match in Barcelona next month have been blocked by Spanish television. United wanted to show the European Cup Winner's Cup quarter-final first leg live on big screens at Old Trafford but Spanish television has rejected the plan. which was to have been operated by the Dutch company. Big Smile Communications.

United had appealed to their

supporters not to travel to the match after trouble at previous European games, notably in Valencia. Martin Edwards, United's chairman, said yesterday: "We have been working on this for some time, but it seems impossible without the co-operation of Spanish television. We went in strongly for the idea because we felt it was disappointing to some of our genuine supporters, who would have

(Leeds) and Westhead (Leigh). Members of the management team

are Steve Alderson, Peter Deakin, Brian Howell, Martin Crick and

Mike Loftus, all members of college

Mike Loftus, all members of college staffs.

SOUAD: J Prescen: (Huddersleid New College), M Wood (Riddleton Park HS. Lends), J Shero (Wakefeld College). P Morra (Aracdale Ms. Castelord). I Cockerham (Castelord HS). P Hume (St Joseph 2 HS, Wiffel), S Moore (De LS Salle Cellege, Saltord), M Wifson (St John Fisher HS, Dewsbury). R Shepherdson (Mrgston HS, Hull). P Morran (St Thomas More HS, Wigarn), S Mich (Solfley Smith HS, Hull). C Marrison (Bransholme, Hull). P Morran (St Thomas More HS, Wigarn), S Mich (Solfley Smith HS, Hull), S Wisson (St John Fisher HS, Dewsbury). M Wilson (Araddale and Wharledgie College). Leads), J Septimo (Comley HS, St Helens), J Wastrad (St Mayr) HS, Castelory HS, St Helens), J Wastrad (St Mayr) HS, Lollege (College). S Bradford. P Tepping (Wigan Technical College). D Roe (Bransholme NS, Hull), S Edvards (St John Rigby College Wigan, captain). P Holden (De La Salle College, Sellord).

RUGBY LEAGUE: Great Britain will receive a bonus of £5,000 if they

win the series against Australia on their summer tour

United received a telex from the

Dutch company yesterday which said: "The project has been boycotted by television Espanol. They refused to co-operate, and we have no alternative but to abandon Televising the match would have heen the best method of persuading fans not to travel. But now there seems no way we can get around the problem to guarantee the safety of

 Madrid (AFP) - Juan
 Lozano, the Real Madrid
 midfield player, will be out of action for the rest of the season after breaking a bone in his left leg during his comeback match

YACHTING Another victory

From Adrian Morgan Cannes
Mike Holmes and Ossie Stewart

for British team

kept the British flag flying at Connes yesterday when they followed up Jo Richards and Peter Allam's success in the Flying Dutchman class with a well worked victory in the second

470 race.
They led the fleet from start to finish with Kevin Sproul and David Shelleock close astern at the line. Mike McIntyre maintained his good record in the Finn class, finishing second and sixth in the two races. second and sixth in the two races.
RESULTS: Soling: 1. Vite Brag (Nath); 2.
Bandolowski (Den); 3. Haegi (Fra); 12. Law
(GB. Flying Dutchmann 1. Hagander (Sweden);
2. Desch (WG); 3. Schonnherr (Den); 8.
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2. Stefano (Italy); 3. Hazztsude (Greeco); 9.
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2. Sech (WG); 3. Sewonuster (Nath); 2nd race,
1. Helmes (GB); 2. Sproul (GB); 3. Sach (WG)
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McIntyra (GB), 3. Bridge (GB), 2nd race,
1. Helmes (GB); 2. Schröweit (Polend), 3.
Highrinaes (Den); 6. McIntyra (GB), 3.

Vote of confidence given to Gower

would-be miscreants.

for Elton John's concert at Athletic

NEW ZEALAND (from): J G Winght, A Edgar, G P Howard (capt), M D Crowe, J Crowe, J V Coney, R J Hadlee, B L Cantis, D Smith, E J Chatfield, G K Robertson,

ENGLAND: D1 Gower, C1 Smith, A J Lamb, W Randolf, M W Galting, I T Bothern, J Marks, R W Taylar, N A Foster, R G D Willes

After an exuberant practice at the Basin Reserve vesterday David the time". Gower informed the selectors he would be happy to continue opening the innings in the Rothman's international one-day series. Consequently, the England team were unchanged for the second match,

Willis the captain. Bob explained: "David feels reasonable form despite his low scores and once he felt confident to carry on as opener there was no

"If all three opening batsmen were in tremendous form we might have to consider changing the order. I'm a great fan of Chris Tavare but Chris Smith did the job well on a difficult pitch at Christchurch and we felt he deserved another opportunity".
Willis added: "Neither Gower

nor Lamb are in poor enough form to be left out. I believe England players, who are accustomed to playing every day, find it difficult to

Lillee puts Miandad in hospital

Islamabad (Reuter) - Javed Miandad, the Pakistani batsman, is in hospital in Calcutta after being in hospital in Calcutta arter being hit in the face by a ball from Dennis Lilkee, of Australia, in a benefit match there for Bishen Bedi, the former Indian captain. Miandad has been advised to rest by doctors and its awaiting X-ray examination results.

results.

Cricket board sources said the injury report was worrying the Pakistan selectors, who are to meet Pakistan selectors, who are to meet on Friday to select the team for the first Test match against England, starting on March 2 in Karachi, Miandad was scheduled to return to Miandad was scheduled to return to Pakistan yesterday for a one-day National Cricket Championship match at Hyderabad today. Imran Khan, Miandad's successor as captain, is recovering from a stress fracture of the left shin he received more than a year ago and is manufallal for the certain and the

unavailable for the series; and the

opentour with victory

The pitch, as expected, is a near Basseterre. St Kitts (Realis)
The Australians won the grown perfect surface for a one-day match. The Australians won the communate of their West Indies to when they beat the Leeward Island All 16,000 tickets were sold and the ground authority banned the import alcohol into the ground (it is on by 204 runs on the fourth and final sale in certain areas) and warned day here yesterday. The toring team had the Leewards in troubles New Zealanders feel very strongly 96 for six at lunch after the basis about law and order and take none too kindly to having sporting events disrupted. They would certainly not

Australians

were set 375 to win in six hours.

The Australians declared at the overnight score of 250 for seven in tolcrate the kind of behaviour that their second innings. The six all too often spoils one-day matches wickets to fall were evenly shared by in England.
The police faced a higger problem the fast bowlers Rackerson for traffic leaving the Basin Reserve and had to cross the crowds heading

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Except for Williams, every place fell to an attacking shot, and the opener Lawrence (33) and the aring captain Eddy (38) were the only batsmen to reach double figure. Lawrence and Eddy put on 49 for the fourth wicket in 37 things with Lawrence particularly playing gracefully in 66 minutes be aiming across the line at Mas

and falling leg-before. AUSTRALIANS: First minings 429 for 7-dee (f.C. Wessels 126 rid hunt. A R. Border 74, E. W. Hookes 65, K. J. Hughes 81).
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LEEWARD ISLANDS: First is 305 S W Julien 123, E A Septia G Reckement 5 for 105. Second lionings Jim Yardley, the Northamp-R B Richardson c Philips b Ras tonshire batsman, has retired from county cricket. Yardley,

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-10, 3-21, 4-70 5-84, 6-87, 7-96, 8-115, 9-168, 10-170.

SQUASH RACKETS

aged 37, has been released from his contract, and is joining a soft drinks company at Tring.

The left-handed Yardley, one

of the characters of the county

circuit, first joined Worcester-

shire, and switched to Nor-

thamptonshire in 1976. He

spent 19 years in county cricket,

and last year captained the Northamptonshire second team.

Miss Spurgeon to the fore

By Colin McQuillan

The emergence of Nicola Spurperformer in Monday's finals of the first British Doubles Squash Championships, at South Marston Country Club. Swindon, may be significant encouragement for those wo see the fourhanded version as a restortial link between potential link between top tournament squash and its club roots.

Doubles squash has become increasingly popular among club players – although the ancient rules need modern attention and only two of the special large courts remain in existence - and the South Marston event has grown to such an extent in recent years that it deserves national

Miss Spurgeon won the women's championship, her first British title, partnering the former national

singles champion. Alison Curnings, to whom she lies second in the Surrey rankings. She was the influencial playmaker in their 15-9. 12-15. 15-8, 15-5 defeat of the top seeded pair. Martine Le Moignan and Barbara Diggens, and showed remarkable domination of the forehand court, creating successive central openings for Miss Cummings to exploit. In the men's final, the top seed.

Christy Willstrop and Robert Forde, powered their way past the young partnership of Darren Mabbs and Jon Cornish, from Avon, who surprised everyone by carrying their sophisticated and athletic combination through a field packed with specialist pairs and former inter-

and Gay. They seemed set for a similar semi-final marathon against the former public schools champions. Stuart Courtney and Pat Keenan, until Courtney's left ankle collanced in the fourth same. collansed in the fourth game.

Mabbs and Cornish were dis-piosed of 17-14, 15-11, 15-12 in just tive but impressively precise, ruthless bodyline play.
A similar performance had been

planned by the top women's seeds against their lighter and less powerful opponents, but Miss. Spurgeon's tactical smothering of the Diggens' right forehand disconnected the sometimes sleepy left-handed drive that forms the basis of handed drave that forms the basis of Willstrop and Forde needed more Miss Le Moignan's game.

BOXING



Tony Sibson, of Britain (left), meets Louis Acaries, of France, the European middleweight champion, in Paris and few words are exchanged as neither speaks the other's language. However, the Frenchman's unmarked face speaks volumes; so much so that Sibson said of his title tilt on Saturday: "I'm going to have to work hard."

FOR THE RECORD ICE HOCKEY

SQUASH RACKETS DEBENHAMS INTERNATIONAL: Hidaya Jahan bi R Norman (NZ) 5-11, 11-9, 11-6, 11-8 CYCLING
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CRICKET SHELL SHIELD: St George's: Jamaica 120 (L Etienna 4 for 17): Windward Islanda 78 for eight. Match drawn. GEORBETOWN: One-day match: Barbados 220 for 5 (38 overs): Guyana 221 for 9. SKIING

FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Independiente furecan 0, River 2; San Lon **GOLF**

SNOW REPORTS

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Champion to retire Montreal (AFP) - Gerry Screen, sen, of Canada, the Alpine sking. Women's downhill world chan

said that she planned to retire at the

It in the John. It is the Mayor of has said that the inhabihis town will do whatever to prevent commercialisato of the Los Angeles, in an open letter, Mayor Fotinos warned Tom Mayor of Los Angeles, commercialisation. The captain of the touring party, which leaves on July 12, is Shaun Edwards, of St John Rigby, Wigan, **OLYMPIC GAMES:** The Mayor of Olympia has said that the inhabiants of his town will do whatever tion of the Olympic flame by the organisers of the Los Angeles Games In an open letter, Mayor

IN BRIEF

Red Porsche is

Svan's reward

Stockholm, (AFP) - Gunde Svan, who won two-nordic skiing gold medals and a silver for Sweden at

the Winter Olympic Games in

Sarajevo, has been presented with a sports car for his achievement.

Svan, aged 22, was promised the

car of his dreams, a red Porsche Turbo worth around US\$45,000 (£31,468), by a businessman in his

native village of Vansbro, if he won

He won gold medals in the men's

15km cross-country and as a member of the 4 x 10km relay team,

at least two gold medals.

and a silver in the 50km.

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RACING: GRAND NATIONAL WINNER'S X-RAYS REVEAL NO BROKEN BONES Ten Bears likely to confirm

rich promise

when Connaught River is around. In his time he has valuable event the Lower Swell bolted off the course in the middle of a race, frequently dug his heels in and refused to race altogether, and on one occasion started a riot. That was at Newbury in November when, in one of his more cooperative moods, he was beaten by a whisker by Permabos and was the awarded the race on the latter's disqualification, which resulted in angry punters

alians

storming the weighing room. The transition from hurdles to: fences can often stimulate such an animal into putting his hest floof forward and when Connaught River, who carries top weight in today's Castle Novices Handicap Chase at Warwick, made his chasing debut at Newbury it may not have set the world on fire but it was a pleasing effort to finish third to Areus.

Even if you give this most colourful of equine characters the benefit of the doubt and assume that he is fully reformed, it may be expecting too much of him to concede 11lb to Ten Bears, who ran a marvellous race in a top-class novice event at Ascot when fourth behind Cybrandian.

Winner of a small race at Lingfield Park on his previous outing. Ten Bears started at 20-I for the Ascot race, but totally belied his odds. He looked the possible winner as the field turned into the straight and although he was unable to match the first three for pace, he finished no more than two lengths behind the winner. John Francome should creep

There is never a dull moment closer to the 1,000-winner mark by winning the afternoon's most Novices Novices' Trial Hurdle on Emperor Charles, After winning well at Leicester in December. Emperor Charles was narrowly defeated at Cheltenham by Baz Bombati and then finished two lengths behind Triple Jump. who was receiving a lot of weight, on his return to the Midlands course. Through The Pawn, who finished third at Leicester, and who is as reliable a vardstick as a racehorse can be. Emperor Charles appears to have the beating of Homoela, who looks the main danger, and

Master Boatman. The consist-

ent mare. Rose Ravine, is also

sure to run well. Michael Dickinson, whose hunter Compton Lud should outclass the opposition in the Town of Warwick Foxhunters' Trophy Chase at Warwick, dould also win the first division of the Leyburn Novices Chase at Catterick Bridge with Brave George, who was in the lead when he fell at Fakenham on Friday, Dickinson will be hoping to lift himself even further out of his recent trough of gloom by winning the Brettanby Handicap Chase at the northern course with his Grand National hope, Cavity

This 11-year-old ran most promisingly after a lay-off to linish fourth behind Honourable Man over this course and distance. Clearly he will be hard to catch, but the concession of 24lb to the recent easy Southwell winner, Personality Plus. may just be beyond him,



Jenny Pitman, trainer Aintree hero, Corbiere

Corbiere on course for the National

Corbiere, the winner of the 1983 Grand National, is still on course for this year's race, Jenny Pitman, his trainer, said yesterday. Corbiere was injured in an 18th fence Melee during Saturday's Eider Chase at Newcastle, and connexions leared that he would miss the Grand

National.

A delighted Mrs Pitman yesterday announced that all was well with her charge and that the Liverpool race was still the prime objective.

Fears that the galding had broken his seamoid bone proved unfounded, and after the results of his x-ray examination were known yesterday morning, Mrs Pitman said: "There are no broken bones. Corbiero has are no broken bones. Corbiere has just badly bruised his near-fore and he is still very much on course for the Grand National. He will be on the casy list for seven to 10 days The reaction of William Hill, the bookmakers, was to re-introduce Corbiere into their ante-post bet at

years Budweiser Million at Arling-ton Park, Chicago, heads 46 British nominations at the first entry stage for the race on August 26.

5-2 Ten Bears, 3 Cal Mal, 9-2 Conneught River, 6 Hudson's Bay, 8 Elmbrock, 10 Wing Velvet, or Lester, 14 others.

O'Neill injured in fall at Huntingdon

John O'Neill cracked his left checkbone in a fall at Huntingdon yesterday and will be out of action for a few days. O'Neill, who is five behind John Francome in the race for the jockeys' title was riding the strongly-fancied Afzal when he came down at the fifth in the Ward Hill Top Table Hurdle. O'Neill who has had several hard falls recently, was still on the ground when his namesake Seamus O'Neill was weighing in on the winner. Tom Sharp. He looked white and very shaky

as he was helped into a car that took him to Peterborough Hospital for an x-ray examination. The racecourse doctor said: "He was hit on the cheek by the horse's head, but he cheek by the horse's head, but he does not appear to be concussed".

Tom Sharp earned quotes of around 25-1 for the Triumph Hurdle after his impressive 12-length victory. The 7-1 shot hended Paris North four out then quickened clear to win unchallenged from the 9-4 joint favourite. Star of Ireland.

Paris North, the other joint-favour-ite could finish only fifth Walter Wharton, owner-trainer of the winner, said: "Tom Sharp goes for the Triumph, there's a lot of improvement in him yet." provement in him yet."
Also Cheltenham bound is Iden

Green who made most of bottom weight in the Ward Hill Handicap Chase to score his fifth victory in a

Monica Dickinson, the trainer's

Monica Dickinson, the trainer's mother, expressed herself well pleased with Rathgorman, who finished third to Iden Green and who was racing for the first time in 11 months after cracking a bone in his cibow. Rathgorman's target once again is the Queen Mother Champion Chase. Another rider hurt yesterday was Phil Tuck, who broke his nose in a fall from Welfare in the first

division of the novices chase. Tuck is confident of being fit to ride Burrough Hill Lad for Jenny Pitman at Wincanton tomorrow. Time Easterby has to give up the plum mount on Prominent King in the John Wade Hunters Chase to Easterby was injured as he pulled

up the 5-4 favourite Cue World before the second last flight in the preceding Harry Lane Memorial Handicap Hurdle won by Mr

side of the course. Cue World broke down and as Easterby tried to stop him, the horse's head they up and cracked him in the face. His lather, Peter, immediatedly engaged Beggan for Prominent King and the Irishman enjoyed an armchair ride, the combination landing odds of 2-1 on by six lengths from What A Coup.

Henderson fined £500

Nick Henderson, the Lambourn trainer, was fined £500 by the Jockey Club's disciplinary com-mittee today as the result of a positive dope test on his chaser. Krakar, after it won at Taunton in

September.

A urine sample from the borse was found to contain the prohibited substances, phenylbutazone and oxyphenbutazone. After considering evidence, including a statement from Henderson, who was legally represented, the committee were unable to establish the source of the

The committee imposed the minimum fine on Henderson under rule 53 and disqualified Krakar

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from the Taunton race, placing Prosper You Can first, Krakar ran five times with winning after Taunton and was put down after breaking his neck in a fall Brian Forsey, the Tauntor trainer, was fined a total of £300 by the disceplinary committee after an inquiry into the ownership of the horse, Button Boy, when it ran in races between August 1982 and January 1983. The committee found that Forsey entered into an unregistered partnership concerning the horse with Mrs Janet Salter (£100 fine) when he was also the holder of a jockey's licence (£200 fine). No action was taken against Mrs Salter.

Huntingdon results Going: Good

11-4 Bucko, 100-30 Emperor Charles, 4 Rose Ravine, 5 Homeola, 7 Work Mala, 8 Only Fo 3.30 TOWN OF WARWICK FOXHUNTERS TROPHY HUNTER CHASE TOTE: Wir: £7.20. Places: £2.50. £2.60. £1.10. DP £22.60. CSF: £49.82. C James at Great Shefford. 3t, 2t. Wojo (\$-4 tay) 4th, 14 ran, NR Music Gel. Knoshouro Lad. BEN SPARTAN b g by Spertan General Carnival Cendy (Cpt H Lochore) 11-10-13 S Smith Eccles (4-S Smith Eccles (4-1)

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S Shitston (50-1) TOTE: Win: £4.10. Places: £1.50. £3.20 3.90. DF: £100.00. CSF: £86.09. TRICAST:

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S McNett (50-1) 3 TOTE: Win: 28.90. Places: \$2.20. \$1.10, \$8.80, DF: \$5.70. CSF: \$22.45. W Wharton at Metion Monbray. 12, 81. Miss Matinowski (20-1) 4th. Parls North (9-4 [1-fav.) 8 ran. 3.30 WARD HILL CHASE (hand/cap: £1965) 2m 100yds

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4.30 STEVENAGE HURLDLE (Div B: no 2893: 2m 200yd)

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TOTE Win: £2.90. Places: £1.30, £1.80 £5.10. DF: £4.60. CSF: £10.77. R Fisheral Ulversion. Bl. 33. Secret House (72-1) 481.17 ran. MR: Ships Shooter 2.15 HARRY LANE HURDLE (£1,346: 2m 4f) MR DENETOPo g by Pongae Miss. Denetop(F Musgrave) 6-10-7 Mr P J Dunn

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ROYAL OPPORTUNITY b g by Royal Palace La Mome (R Dode) 11-0 TOTE: Wirt: £19.40 Paces: £5.20, £1.10. £1.40. DP: £28.80. CSF: £43.16. R Dods et Patrabridge4, ½, Hatteras (11-2) 4th, 13 ran. MR Better Builder, Proud Outlook, PLACEPOT. £12.48.

Mitchell (Cambridge) left and Robinson (Oxford) dispute possession (Photo: Ian Stewart) Oxford unable to cancel out early goals by Cambridge

HOCKEY

By Sydney Friskia

Oxford. Cambridge.. Cambridge won the university match, sponsored by Guardian

Royal Exchange Insurance, for the third year in succession by beating Oxford on a cold afternoon at Lord's yesterday. Oxford's last success was achieved in 1979, when they won 6-1, and the best result achieved by them since then was a 2-2 draw in 1981.

This was not one of the best matches in recent times by any means and the slowness of the pitch. particularly near the circle, was no help. The players tended to misjudge the pace of the ball in this area, but the conditions did not excuse the early uncertainty in Oxford's defence.

Although Oxford raised their game in the second half, they could not cancel out the two goals they had conceded before the interval. It was reasonable to expect a revival after they had scored, but the initiative went back into the hands the early exchanges but Cambridge result capitalized on the first short corner, stroke. with Dodds scoring at the second attempt in the seventeenth minute. Four minutes later Makin, the the crossbar, OXFORD B C Niblett (Charl Cambridge captain, took a free hit near the sideline, picked up a return pass from Dodds, and raced through to score with an angular shot, the

Oxford goalkeeper having made a vain attempt to save with his stick. Oxford's best response before twenty-ninth minute, from which the Cambridge goalkeeper saved from Monks, who was permitted a second shot. This time the ball whistled past a post. Their spirits were revived in the lifth minute of the second half after a good effort on the right wing by Keohane. He overcame the frustration of having a shot deflected and scored from the

Oxford could not force a single nort corner in this period, against the five earned by Cambridge, who missed a great chance of increasing their lead in the twenty-third minute. Rush, who shot through a gap on the left, was impeded by the

result inevitably was a penalty stroke, form which Makin had the

The Crossbar.

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CAMBRIDGE: P A Barr (Huddersfield New College and Queen's): I G Ashthy (Burnham GS and Selvyri), R M Mitchell (Pelsted and St John's). N R H Dodas (Millfred and St John's). F T Costs (Persmuoth GS and Magdelene), R G Milles (Kingston GS and Trinty), G D Harper (Abngdon and St John's). C J Makin (Appleton Hall and Fitzwilliam, captain), A Hill (T P Riley and Errumsue), I E W Senders (Cheltenham and St John's), E M Senders (Cheltenham and St John's), R A J Hueh (Culford and Calus). Uniplease: R C Beatty and J E Anderson (Mildland Cournes).

The second round ties in the played on March 4, have been

Chris Law chases one of the few sailing titles to elude him

Olympic prospector's last chance for gold

yachting regatta at Long Beach will realistically be his less at to win a gold medal. Now aged 31 and in Britain's yachting squad for the fourth time, he cannot envisage giving the cannot constant time. envisage giving up yet another four years to such an esoteric form of sailing. In 1972 he was still improving, but by 1976 he was one of the best Finn sailors in the world and wonthe class world championship in Australia. Yet he failed to win the "sudden death" trials to select the British representative and had to be content with going to Montreal as reserve-

hélmsman. The same system will be employed again this year for the Windglider, 470, Flying Dutchman and Tornado classes. The Finn, Star and Soling. however, will consider three separate regattas. which theoretically ought to be a better way of selecting the right crew. Law is now campaigning a Soling and the three critical meetings for him will be at San Remo and Hyères in April, followed by Britain's national Olympic regatta at Weymouth in May.

Bitter decision

While Law's prospects for a medal looked good in 1976, they were even better in 1980. Another four years of dedication and sacrifice had brought him to the peak of fitness and ability, but then came the bitter decision of the Royal Yachting Associations' Afghanistan-inspired boycott, taken without consulting the competitors. It still rankles,

At about this time Law was invited to join the Lionheart syndicate in the 1980 challenge for the America's Cup. But Games and the challenge overlapped, so it was impossible to do both. Law elected to stay with his Finn, partly to continue nis planned programme and partly to nurture a

vain hope that the boycott might be called off.

His efforts were not entirely unrewarded.

Only a few weeks before the Games, he was a convincing winner of the Finn European championship in Helsinki. It was Esko Rechardt, from Finland who then crossed the Baltic to win the Finn gold medal at Tallinn.
In spite of this considerable disappointment,

Law's Olympic aspirations were far from destroyed and within a few months he was back on the international circuit, this time with a Soling. Like the Finn, this is a class requiring tactical ability rather than sheer boat speed, but the two are world apart. The Finn is a singlehanded dinghy, whereas the Soling is a threeman keelboat, the largest of the seven Olympic

After years of solitary sailing, Law now has to consider two other people. The search for the perfect crew has been long and thorough, temperament ashore and afloat being as important as sailing ability. Both crew positions have seen changes, but with Edward Leask now in the middle of the boat and Jerry Richards in the bow, the mix is at last to his satisfaction.

Promising results

While not yet reaching the same level of consistency in the Soling as he had in the Finn. he has achieved some promising results. He won the national championship at the first attempt in 1981, followed by an encouraging first place in the pre-Olympic regatts at Long Beach in 1982. Last year, however, there was an apparent relapse, when he finished only seventh at Long Beach and tenth in the world championship at San Francisco.

There was a perfectly valid excuse for the decline - it was brought about by the second biggest disappointment of his sailing career. For more than a year previously he had been resisting the offers of Peter de Savary to join his Victory challenge for the America's Cup. Then, in May 1983, after Law had shown himself to be one of the outstanding helmsmen at the matchracing series for the Lymington Cup, the offer was finally accepted on terms that provided



Law: now has two others to consider

some security for himself his wife and two daughters.

During the Lymington series, Law was the only man to beat the overall winner. John Bertrand, who later went on to win the America's Cup for Australia.

Law was also the only one of Victory's potential helmsmen who held a full-time job outside the boating industry, and it is his proud claim that he is a totally amateur yachtsman. That does not mean he funds his own campaigns: few amateurs can afford that sort of outlay. He depends on sponsorship, as must all Olympic prospects. His principal sponsor at the time was his employer. British Olivetti, for whom he worked as sales manager for the Southampton area. They provided financial assistance and, probably as important, time off to go racing.

Another victim

There was no question, however, of having time off to go America's Cup racing; it had to be a full-time commitment for six months. He resigned from British Olivetti and became yet another victim of America's Cup fever.

Predictably, the established helmsmen in the Victory squad, already disputing the skipper's berth between themselves, were less than enthusiastic when an additional contender was thrown into the ring. A few weeks later Law resigned for the second time and returned to his Soling and, understandably, some mediocre At the moment he is living off what remains of his year's contract with de Savary, with his

sailing supported by grants from the Sports Aid Foundation and RYA. The next few months will be spent working on a new Soling, practising for hours on end and competing in as many events as can be fitted in before the final Olympic trials If he is selected, there is no chance of Christopher Law letting the side down through any inferiority complex. He has beaten the world's best before: he sees no reason why he

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Return of two men who can make life hard for England

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

significance for England in their remaining two international championships matches,

occurred vesterday. France announced the side showing one change to meet England in Paris on March 3 and Cardiff announced the selection of Terry Holmes for their Schweppes Welsh Cup match with Newbridge this Saturday.

It will be Holmes's first senior match of the season at scrum half for his club. He has played three games for Cardiff Athletic and demonstrated that. after six months away from the game, he has recovered from the severe ligament damage to his right knee which he suffered during the first international between New Zealand and the British Lions last June.

It will be a tense return on the Newbridge ground but the implications are that Wales may able to select Holmes for their final international against England at Twickenham on March 17. They have not been entirely happy at scrum half this season: Giles, of Aberavon, against Japan and against Romania before being displaced by Douglas (Llanelli) for the international champion-

But Douglas, after three games, did not enjy the best of days against France last Saturday and if Holmes can convince the Welsh selectors of his match fitness, he must surely come into their deliberations for the game at Twickenham which is a eek after his 27th birthday.

A fourth possibility. Bishop. the Pontypool scrum half, has excluded himself from consideration by being suspended after a sending-off earlier this month.

The Welsh match is below England horizon at the moment, first they must clear the major hurdle presented by France, who have recalled Dospital to play loose head prop instead of Cremaschi. Dospital, aged 33, from Bayonne, was a member of the pack which scrummaged well against

Two events, both of some England at Twickenham last year and will be winning his eleventh can.

The only other change the French have made from the side which beat Wales 21-16 last Saturday is positional. The flying Esteve moves from the left wing, where he scored in every international last season. to the right which allows Lagisquet to play on the wing he occupies for Bayonne.

Lagisquet who has also played centre has recorded 10.8 seconds for the 100 metres and also possesses the rare ability to make progress in a confined space. Esteve is more dependent upon sheer speed and it may be that the French selectors, believing that Underwood will remain on England's left wing. have noticed a degree uncertainty about the Yorkshireman's positioning which Estee could exploit.

Scotland's side to play Ireland on Saturday week will be announced today. Both their coach, Jim Telfer and convenor of selectors, lain Macgregor watched Ireland at Twickenham and they will also have pon-dered Scotlands 13-10 win over France in Sunday's B inter-national. They must replace the injured Kennedy at centre and decide whether Cuthbertson. the Harlequins lock, has recovered from a groin strain.

They may also consider the return of Munro who has been so unlucky with injury this season, to the right wing, and the recall of Renwich with the experience of 51 caps behind him at centre.

Three members of the Lancashire side which won the county Colts championship in January are in the squad of 26 from which an England Colts team to play Birmingham University on Sunday will be chosen. The first Colts international this season is against Italy on March 16.

FRANCE: S Blanco: P Esteve. P Selfa, D Codormou. P Lagraguet: J P Lascarboura; J Galfon: J L Jonel: D Erban, J P Rives (capten): J Condom. A Loneux. D Dubroca: P Dentrans. P Dospital.

Loughborough move strongly into final

By Peter Marson

Cardiff Loughborough17

Loughborough cruised through the semi-final round of the UAU championship at Cheltenham yesterday, beating Cardiff by a goal, two tries and a penalty goal to a penalty. Cardiff earned plenty of marks for their determination, but they laced a stronger, more skilful combination. Loughborough have proved

themselves worthy of the final, to be played at Twickenham on March 7, and Nottingham, their opponents on the great day, have done the same. Vesterday a strong fickle wind blew down the pitch, and driving rain during the first half made life difficult. It was cold, too. In a first half littered with abortive kicks at goal, 13 points were scored. In the second, Loughborough had to scratch hard to find another seven, from a try

and a penalty. With the wind playing fearful tricks, place-kicking was a hazard-ous exercise. In the circumstances, Thomas did well to land a penalty for Cardiff from 30 metres out, but Llewellyn, Loughborough's kicker, put his side on the path to victory by

converting Williams's try from the edge of touch before putting the match beyond Cardiff's reached with a penalty - his third attempt.

Williams's try, which rounded off Loughborough's initial thrust, was a fine reward for teamwork. Following a five-metre scrummage and a steady shove from an excellent pack of forwards. Williams could choose then have realized the size of the mountain they would have to climb. Thomas's penalty goal helped

boisterous play by members of both teams helped neither and took some of the sheen off Loughborough's performance. performance.

Turning round seven points down, Cardiff lost Vernon, injured, and that meant reshuffling their midfield triangle. Yet their defence seldom failed and that was the merit

of their performance.

Llewellyn, Cardiff: R Thomas; A Elhott, J Robinson, / Morris.
Loughborough: S Reid: I McMillen, S Burnhill.
C Allen, G Green: D Llewellyn, C Williams; M
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Morrason, D Egerton, T Waldron, N Casdeton.
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TENNIS

Levine victory repairs his damaged confidence

Brian Levine, of South Africa. competition at the weekend, Nick won a tie break in the final set against Frederik Rosenquist, of Sweden, to edge into the second round of the Lawn Tennis Association's satellite event at Covenity vesterday.

is to be certain of a place in next week's Masters at Bramhall. However, getting through vester-day's match was in itself something of an achievement for a young man whose confidence has taken a severe knock over the last few weeks.

Seeded No 1 in the first two satellite events, he went out in the quarter finals the first week and in the first round the next. As he was to explain later, he had never beer seeded first in anything before and the result was he felt tense and bad tempered.

Ronsenquist, gove Levine plenty of frustrating moments but, to his credit, the South African stayed sufficiently in control to cope in the crisis and take the match 6-4, 4-6, 7-Having survived the qualifying

Cumberland offer £5,000

The lifticth Cumberland Lawn Tennis Club tournament, sponsored hy British Home Stores, will be played at Hampstead from April 23 to 28 (Rex Bellamy writes). A qualifying competition will almost certainly be necessary during the preceding weekend.

The tournament was mangurated in 1927, a year after professional competition was first promoted in New York. This year's total prize i fund for Hampstead's four events regretably, there will be no mixed doubles - will be £5,000. Of that, 56.5 per cent has been allocated to

As usual, eight seeds in both singles events will be granted byes

Brown carried on the good work yesterday, winning 1-6, 6-4, 6-2 against Mick Pazourek, an Ameriagainst whick Pazourek. an Argeri-can making his first appearance in the main draw. A student in busines management at Texas University, Pazourek is unhappy that he has spent £800 this month but won only

Richard Lewis, the other British winner yesterday, came through 6-3, 6-4 against Bob Green. Richard Whichello and Jason

Goodall lifted the spirits of Paul Hutchins the British team manager. with a good result.

The two youngsters, who both

have another year to complete in junior tennis, won their doubles in three sets against Greg Amaya, brother of Victor, and Schacher

brother of Victor, and Schacher Ferkis.

RESULTS: First round: B Levine (South Africa) bt F Rosanguist (Sweden), 6-4, 4-6, 7-6; R Bathman (Sweden) bt F Fineman (ISA) 8-1, 6-2; S Parkis (Israel) bt P Sveneson (Sweden) 7-5; 6-3; M Brumberg (Sweden) bt J Faswer (BB 5-7, 6-2; 6-2; S Sweneson (Sweden) bt W Hampson (Australia) 6-3, 6-4; E Van T Hot (USA) bt L Alfred (GB) 7-8, 6-2; R Lewis (GB) bt R Green (USA) 6-3, 6-4.

Navratilova is back on form

East Hanover. New Jersey (AP)-Martina Navratilova, showing no signs of her 35-day lay-off, defeated Nancy Yeargin, of the United States, 6-3, 6-2, in a 55-minute first round match in the \$150,000 US women's national indexections. indoor championships on Monday.

However, the sixth seed Sylvia anika, of West Germany, was extended to three sets before beating Beth Herr, of the United States, 6-4, 3-6. 6-3. Miss Navratilova meets 5-0. 6-3. MISS NAVIALIDVA MECTS
Virginia Wade in the next round
RESULTS: C Basset (Can) to G Purdy (US), 51. 6-0. P Cassile (US) to E Plain (WG), 6-2, 6-2, J
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(WG) to B Herr (US), 6-4, 3-6, 6-3; M
Navrátiova (US) bt N Yangin (US), 6-3, 6-2. May, preferring to leave his Olympic fate to the selectors.

Motor racing's pace-setters conspicuous by their absence





The trio who were missing from Rio: Piquet (the world champion), Murray and Rosche, of BMW

Big three keep world guessing

Three important people were missing from the Jacarapagua circuit near Rio de Janeiro last month when most of motor racing's grand prix teams took part in their annual engine, chassis and tyre testing. There have been other tests since in Europe. and more are to come in South Africa, but there is a special significance to the annual hot weather tests in Brazil, where the battle for 1984 world championship will begin next month. Many people maintain that if your car works well in Rio you can be fairly certain will be well set up

Yet the absentees were the three men whose combined talents have been forged into one of the sport's most effective working partnerships - Nelson Piquet. the world champion; Gordon Murray, the designer of the Brabham car which the Brazilian drove last year to his second world title; and Paul Rosche, the man responsible for the BMW turbocharged engine which played a vital part in Piquet's success. Together they became the standard-setters in 1983 and many predict that they will do so again this year.

This is why their absence from the Brazilian tesis was a considerable disappointment to their rivals because it meant that an important yardsick by which their own performances could be assessed had been denied them. On paper, the Rio times looked good - the best, recorded by Patrick Tanbay's Renault, was about five seconds quicker than last year's pole position time. The problem is that no one knows whether it was quick enough. A year ago, having stayedaway from th

Rio tests. Brabham staggered the Formula One world by appearing at the Brazilian Grand Prix with radically new cars. designed around a set of fundamentally changed regulations announced only weeks earlier. It was a prodigious team effort ("I was living on pills, just to keep me going, and I never want to do that again," Murray said and it was rewarded with instant success when Piquet won in a canter.

There will be no realcally new Brabham-BMW on the start ine when the new season sarts on March 25. Something exciting may appear later in the year but Piquet, and whoever is chosen to drive the

further development of last year's BT52B. featuring repositioned radiators and intercoolers and new bodywork to accommodate them. It is the repackaging of this car, of which six examples are being built, which hs kept Murray busy in Chessington and Rosche in Munich and the telephone lines between them as hot as the sun they missed in Rio.

Daily contact has become almost a way of life for these two talented engineers, who have become close friends as well as business colleagues. "It really has worked remarkably well." Murry said reflecting on two years of racing with BMW turbo power. "Usually it is a recipe for disaster

Two races saved

The South African Grand Prix will go ahead on April 7 despite the possible withdrawal of 1m rands (about £570,000) in sponsorship by a hotels group, Bobby Hartslief, the Kyalami circuit owner, said here vesterday. The group are reviewing their involvement after Government decision to reduce tax relief on cash given by sponsors to international sporting events. The Detroit Grand Prix wil continue for four more years at least despite losses of \$1 m.

when a Formula One team gets involved with a major manufacturer because a big company's management structure makes it impossible to move as fast as you must in order to stay alive in Formula One. But they let BMW Motorsport run as a separate entity and essentially it is controlled by one man, just like us.

"We had one or two problems at first, but we resolved them. They wanted us to race their engine as quickly as possible in order to speed development, whereas we wanted to wait until it was reliable because we wanted to win the championship. That meant getting on top of quality control and remember, they had to look after 25 engines for us."

Murray and Rosche, justifiably, have great mutual respect. Murray has been with Brabham since 1970 ("Jack was still

driving when I joined") chief designer since the end of 1972. No Formula One chassis designer has had a more consistent record of success, an achievement which ironically, can probably be attributed to his lack of scientific training.

Fortunatiey, I have always been blessed with a highly developed imagination. Also, from experience you get to know by instinct what is likely to work and what is not." Unlike some of his rivals he is not a slave to computer print-outs, and although with BMW he uses telemetry to monitor ignition and fuel injection on the engine, and the team are now making greater use of a wind tunnel. Brabhams tend to be designed more from a gut feeling than from scientific theory. Even so. Murray maintains that any new car should be at least 90 per cent right Part of the rest is down to the driver.

and here both Marray and Roshe have a tremendous: asset in Piquet, who has always demonstrated grat natural skill, but and sensitivity for machinery, which has been invaluable in wedding chassis to engine and bringing the package to optimum performance. "His other great contribution is the atmosphere and loyalty he has generated within the team," Murray said. Rosche agreed: "It is almost unbelievable, and so rare in motor racing. This is such a serious business, and we are all so dedicated to success, yet the team operates just like a happy family. Piquet has a special sense of homour, so there is a lot of joking and laughter to compensate for the hard work and sometimes the disappointment. And when the success comes, well we enjoy the celebrating, too!"

Like the day Rosche returned to Munich from South Africa, where Piquet had just clinched the 1983 world championship. The entire BMW board turned out to greet him - it was the first time anyone can remember the Tuesday board meeting ever being interrupted - to thank him for justifying the big step in Formula One which they had been so reluctant, at first to take. "Now," Rosche said, Gordon and I must do it all over again . . . if only to

John Blunsden

Standard-setter: The Brabham on test this month in France

ATHLETICS

Great North race has no permit

By Pat Butcher

The Great North Run, New castle's answer to the London Marathon, has been refused a permit by the local committee of the Amateur Athletic Association. The race organizers, who include Brenden Foster, are to meet members of the number one committee of the North-eastern Counties AAA tomorrow to discuss problems over an incorrect appli-cation for a permit and non-pay-ment of £9,000 from last year's race to the appropriate governing body.

Last year's winners. Carlos Lopes.
of Portugal. and Grete Waitz. of
Norway, will not be able to run in the event on June 17, nor will any

The race, sponsored by Thorn-EMI, is reputed to be the biggest in Europe, There were 20,000 runners last year, of whom 18,000 were not members of AAA clubs and so paid a 50p levy, which was due to go to Northern Counties AAA. This has not been paid because, it seems, some of the organizers feel that the money should go to the North-east-ern committee, who have refused he race a permit

The dispute has the hallmarks of family squabble since Foster and its joint organizers. John Caine and Max Coleby, and one of the leading committee members. George Sivell, are members of Gateshead Harriers. Sivell said yesterday: "We thought it was rather arrogant for them to plough on and ignore the governing body, and the committee took a very dim view of the fact that the 50p levies had not been handed

over." Caine admitted yesterday to an "administrative oversight." which resulted in the race date being announced before the committee had given official clearance, and he expects everything to be cleared up at tomorrow's meeting. There is a ceiling of 25.000 competitors Hugh Jones, who came fifth in the Los Angeles Marathon over the Olympic course on Sunday in 2 hours 11 minutes 54 seconds, will not run in the London Marathon in

An upstairs-downstairs contest

By Srikumar Sen, Bexing Correspo A kind of class war, in the boxing well. Last month he went back to sense, will break out when Nick Florida to finish off his training for Wilshire, of Bristol, faces Jimmy this contest under George Francis.

Cable, of Orpington, at the Albert Hall tonight for the British light-middleweight title vacated by Prince Rodney.

The background of the two

combatants has as much in common as an Eton and Trinity man has with a boy who left school at the age of 16 to go to work. Wilshire won the ABA middle-Wishire won the ADA minute-weight title and travelled to distant parts, representing England against the best in the world, and winning a silver medal in the junior cham-pionships in Tokyo. He even has a win over the great Russian.
Koshkin. Cable hung around his
home town and did not even win a
divisional title. As a professional. Wilshire, under

As a professional. Wishire, under the shrewd management of Mickey Duff, continued to enjoy foreign travel, boxing in the United States, where light-middleweights go down

this contest under George Francis. Cable's manager, Doug Bidwell, who took Alan Minter to the world midleweight title, pooh-poohs all that fancy American fare and Cable stayed at home, pounding the wet English roads and getting down to a solid meat and two veg gyrn diet.

Cable had a win last year over
Wilshire, though the Bristol boxer
says he was suffering from influenza
at the time. He claims there was

little in that bout and that his training in the United States will have given him the expa to beat Cable convincingly this time.

Both men have hearts as big as the Ritz and that is why few can predict confidently who will lift the title. But Bidwell is certain that

home-nourished talent will take the shine off Wilshire. Colin Jones. Wales's world-rated welterweight has twice shown the worth of the

tation between the upright English boxing of the tailer Cable and the aggressive short punching of the stocky Wilshire. Cable will go to work upstairs, not only because the target is nearer to him, but also because one José Valejo showed that Wilshire can be floored by a shot to the chin. In their last bout, Cable shook him with some good right uppercuts.
Wilshire, conversely, will go to work downstairs, where he too, caught Cable with some beauties. Cable is weak in his exposed mid-

It should be a classic confron-

section. as Horace McKenzie showed by knocking him out with a left hook to the body.

If Cable can keep hitting and moving away, he should win, but will require all of his fitness to keep it up for 12 rounds. Wilshire is touch and persistent and there must come a time when he will catch Cable and slow him down before

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated FOOTBALL Milk Cup Semi-final, second leg Aston Villa (0) v Everton (2) **Associate Members Cup** First round

First round
Bradford City v Hartlepool United (3.0)
Chester City v Blackpool
Exeter City v Bristol City
Herelord United v Port Vale
Lincoln City v Doncaster Rovers
Oxford United v Swindon Town
Rochdale v Preston North End
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Semi-final, second leg (Rangers (1) v Dundee United (1) Scottish first division Airdrisonians v Partick Thistle ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Kottlering CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Blackburn v Bolton (7.0); Sunderland v Sheffleld United; Wast Stromwich Albern v Navasalio (7.0). Second division: Huddersfield v Chifman.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Milwall y Ipswich (2.0): Norwich y Reading, Oxford United y West

IRISH LEAGUE: Clinoriville v Crusaders (3.30). ISTHMAN LEAGUE: First division: Chesham v Cheshunt: Felthern v Metropolitan Polica. ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Edgware v Challont S

MIDWEEK LEAGUE CUP Bournemouth Brentford (2.0); Portsmouth v Southend (2.0). SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Southern division: RS Southernston v Waterlooville. REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES: Hendon Ishnoon League XI FA XI v London Universi

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CLUS MATCHES; Catton v RAF, Prymouth
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HOSPITALS CUP: Secul-flust Channing Cross v
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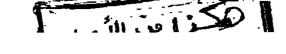
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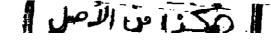
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The situation is just the same today, the estate agent predicts that the market will improve, and he tinct from speculation and resale, and noted the continued demand in agents is to sell houses, so he would, wouldn't he? The emphasis on selling sometimes leaves the poten-tial purchaser at a disadvantage, prey to the estate's agents jargon which, if it does not convince the buyer that the property in question is the fulfilment of a dream, can waste a lot of his time in

establishing that it is not. Estate agents will take on clients who are looking for a new home, but often with reluctance, and sometimes only if the client has a property to sell. Apart from the fact that they are busy selling, there could be a conflict of interest. There are firms which willingly take on both functions, particularly those involved in relocation, but there remains a gap in the property market - catering for the potential buyer - and where there is a gap, it will be filled.

There are now growing up several businesses that specialize in the demands of the purchaser. One such is Property Vision, which will not only look for a house for you, but will take a video film of it to enable you to see whether you want to take the interest further.

The firm is run by two men -William Gething, who spent some years marketing White Horse whisky in Latin America, and Charles Ellingworth, who was a manager with Jardine Matheson in Hongkong.

Gething spent considerable time in the United States and recalls that there was much more emphasis on service to the buyer, and it was very common to pay an agent for buying a property for a client,

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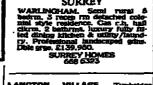
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7.3u, a.uu aruu a.su waru headines on the quarter hours; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45; a review of the morning papers at 7.18 and 8.18; Mike Smith with the new top twenty records between 7.55 and 8.00; horoscopes at

7-55 and 8-80; horoscopes at 8.33.

9.00 Tarzan, Lord of the Jungle, Animated adventures of the jungle hero. 9.20 Bettamy on Botany. The first of a ten-part saries featuring the ebufflent bloogist (r) 10.55 Gharbar, Mag ine programme for Asian women. Among the topics discussed today is mother tongue teaching for Asian children born in this country. 11.20 Interval.

11.30 Open University: Childhood 5-10: Self-help projects, 11.55 The First Years of Life: Clash! Ends at 12.20.
12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weather prospects come from Jim Becon. 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One with guests Kajagoogoo and Judy Ridgway who begins a series

on vegetarian cooking. 1.45 Bod (r). 2.00 Caught in Time. Early home movies, introduced by James Cameron, 2.20 Film: The Ex-Mrs Bradford* (1936) starring William Powell and Jean Arthur. Murder mystery investigated by a surgeon and his estranged mystery writer wife. Directed by Stephen

3.35 Cartoon: Bugs Bunny, 3.48 Regional news (not London). 3.50 Magic Roundabout (r). 3.55 Play School, presented by Don Spencer 4.28 The Adventures of Tin Tin (r) 4.25 Jackanory, with Penelope Keith 4.35 Rentaghost (r) 5.00 Newsround with Paul McDowell. 5.10 Moonflest. muggling serial set in a

Dorset village in 1850. 5.49 Sixty Minutes includes news at 5.40 from Moira Stuart; weather at 5.45; regional news magazines at 5.55; and the news headlines at 6.38.

5.40 Harty. With Russell on the stage of London's Greenwood Theatre are diminutive comedian Mike Harding and super singer Barbara Dickson 7.15 Taxi. American comedy series

about the drivers of the Sunshine Cab Company of New York. This evening, Bobby returns to the garage with the news that he has a part in a new television series. Little Louis tries to dampen the 8.10 Fame. More drama and music

from the pupils of the High School for the Performing

9.00 Navrs with Sue Lawley. 9.25 The Other Half. The story of the marriage between 52-year old choreographer, Gillian Lynne and 30 year old actor, Peter Land.

9.55 Sportsnight Introduced by Harry Carpenter includes coverage of the fight between Nick Wilshire and Jimmy Cable middleweight championship and highlights of the second one-day cricket Internations between New Zealand and England.

17.00 Night Music with sirger/sonowriter Labi Siffre and Dutch instrumentalists.

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6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Nick Owen and Jayne Irving. News from Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30 Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00, sport at 6.35 and 7.35; alarm call at 6.40 and 8.45; exercises at 6.50; and 8.55; odd anniversaries at 7.05 and 8.05; a guest in the Spotlight at 7.20; cartoon at 7.25; Pat Phoenix at 7.40 and 8.45. 7.40 and 8.45; pop video at 7.55; Ruth Madoc's magic moments at 8.10; Eve Pollard's gossip column at 9.03 Roland Rat.

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9.25 Thamea news headlines 9.30
For Schools: (last
Wednesday's programmes
repeated) Middle English 9.47
Looking after a very young
baby 10.04 A little girl's
birthday party 10.21 Play: The
Rambow Coloured Disco
Dancer, by C. P. Taylor 10.49 Dancer, by C P Taylor 10.48 Washington during the great depression of 1932 11.00 Au about bricks 11.22 Basic maths: patterns 11.39 The nationalization of the railways in 1948.

12.00 Flicks. Christopher Lillicrep and the Moon Man 12.10 Sounds Like a Story, Mark Wynter with the tale of The Big Fat Pig (r) 12.30 Three Little Words, Quiz game for married couples.

1.00 News 1.20 Thames news 1.30 A Plus. With Mavis Nicholson in the studio is Mel Brooks 2.00 Crown Court: There Was an Old Woman. Continuing the case of the couple accused of allowing the wife's mother to die through neglect.

2.30 A Country Practice. It's wedding bells for Frank and Shirley 3.30 Sons and Daughters. A national transport strike causes problems for the Hamiltons and the Palmers.

4.00 Flicks. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.15 Batfink 4.20 Luna. Science fiction serial 4.50 Jangles. A serial about a young girl's determination to become a singer. Starring Hazel O'Connor (r) 5.15 Family Trees. Lighthearted genealogy 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Helpl Viv Taylor Gee with news about fostering black children. 5.35 Crossroads. Paul Ross is sent packing by Adam Chance.

7.00 The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady. Part one of a 12-spisode adaptation of the best salling book (see Choice). 7.30 Coronation Street, Fred Gee has reason to feel smug. 8.00 This is Your Life. In his usual conspiratorial manner. Eamonn Andrews waits in the

wings to surprise another WORTHY. 8.30 Foxy Lady. Cornedy series about a struggling northern newspaper, the Ramsden Reminder, this week under threat from property

developers anxious to acquire the Reminder's offices. Starring Diane Ke 9.00 Minder: A Star is Gorn. Arthur has dreams of being 'the Brian Einstein of West One' when he acquires the master tape of a

singer who is top of the pops. 10.00 News. 10.30 Midweek Sports Special. Football and darts, introduced by Brian Moore. There are highlights from one of tonight's cup matches and

coverage of the final of the Blackthorn Masters darts international at Oldham. 12.00 Darkroom. A father gives an

old crystal set to his son and then realizes that the set can only broadcast old 1940s programmes. 12.20 Night Thoughts from Michael Meacher.

Gillian Lynne and Peter Land: The Other Half (BBC 1 9.25pm)

Ends at 8.10.

9.00 Castax.

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5.10 Women Speaking, The

3.00 Ceefax.

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Freedom and Plenty. 6.30 Man's Religious Cuest: Pilgrimage. 6.55

9.10 Daytime on Two: Technical

Engineering: Take a Seat. 7.20 Argument on Television: 1. 7.45 Geophysical Techniques.

Studies: Heat Treatment, 9.38 Science Workshop, 10.00 You and Me, 10.15 Maths:

Enlargement, 10.38 Maths: Geometry, 11.00 A farmer sells

a cow. 11.17 The Clarinet.

11.39 Genetic Engineering. 12.05 Part 15 of an Italian

CONVERSITION COURSE.

12.30 The Cockcroft Report. 12.55 Thinking in Action with Dr

Edward De Bono (ends at

1.10) 1.21 France and the

French lenguage. 1.38 Health What's Good for Me? 2.01

Watch 2.18 The Church in the

Middle Ages, 2.40 Light and

second of three programmes

made by the Open University

starring John Wayne, Mariene Dietrich and Broderick

Crawford. Romance comes to

naval lieutenant Bruce when a

new night club singer arrives at an island base. But his

ituation has repercuss

for the island and his career.

Directed by Tay Garnett.

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Campaign on the plight of individuals and families

quiz presided over by Michael

programme series that eavesdrops on the officers

the history of the Violet and

of the first round is between

champion, Silvino Francisco and former world snocker

Cherie Lungie joins the cast as Margaret Davidson, a friend of

one of Lewis's colleagues with whom he forms a relationship

after the death of his wife.

second one-day game between New Zealand and

11.05 Cricket. Highlights from the

11.45 Open University: Probability and Statistics: Chance 12.10 Images of the Third World.

champion, Ray Reardon.

9.00 Pot Black 84. The final match

South African billiards

9.30 Strangers and Brothers.

10.20 Newsnight.

England.

Ends at 12.40.

and men of the aircraft carrier, Ark Royal (r).

affected by the current

7.40 What on Earth...? Wildlife

mmigration laws.

8.05 Salior. Part six of the 11-

8.35 Geoffrey Smith's World of Flowers. Mr Smith examines

Jordan.

7.05 Open Space: Here To Stay. A

in which women discuss the

pressures they have experienced in their private

and professional lives (r).

5.35 News summary with subtitles

5.40 Film: Seven Sinners* (1940)



 Following the surprising but deserved success of the first series of VOICES (Channel 4, 11.00pm) in of VOICES (Channel 4, 11.00pm) in which the esoteric was argued at an extremely high level of intelligence, a second series begins tonight in the same vein with Ted Honderich, Professor of Philosophy at University College, London, chairing a discussion between John Searle, Professor of Philosophy at the University of California, Berkeley, and Sir John Eccles, a Nobel Prize-winning neutrologist, on the winning neurologist, on the relationship between the mind and the brain. On the face of it a programme with a limited audience appeal and I admit to going to the preview with mixed feelings. But I ound the cut and thrust of the two antagonists a stimulating experience. On the one hand, Sir John Eccles, a quiet-spoken theist

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5.00 People's Court. Judge Wagner sits in judgment on the case of the Fed-up

programme in the series

designed to help those with leisure time but not the

wherewithal to take advantage of the situation. This week

demonstrates clay modelling;

there is a keep fit session; and

advice on what to look for when on a country ramble. For

the more technically minded a

machine is put through its

Canadian comics with their

own brand of wry humour this

week take a look at the world

Gladness 1924-34. This third

programme of the series takes

Thirties. In the Glascow-made

publicity of the Twenties and

Sadness and Gladness two young girls from a working

class background are shown

Holiday Camp. From London,

Bermondsøy's Public Health

revolutionary public health

implemented in 1924 by the

services which were

newly-elected Labour council.
7.00 Channel Four News with Peter

history and aims of the

its 50th anniversary.
7.50 Comment The political slot

Western Isles. 8.00 Brookside. In the Grant

8.30 Diverse Reports. Current

affairs series that explores

9.00 Film: Light Years Away (1981)

political, social and economic

issues from diverse points of

starring Trevor Howard and Mick Ford, Set in Ireland in the

year 2000 the story concerns 25-year-old Jonas who

becomes intrigued by Yoshka

immigrant, who is working on

one of the great secrets of the universe from his base in a

derelict garage. Directed by

Anyway? The first of a new

series. Ted Honderich is the

discussion between Sir John Eccles and Professor John

Searle on the relationship

between the mind and the

brain (see Choice).

12.00 Closedown.

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11.00 Voices: Whose Mind is It

chairman of a cerebral

Poliakoff, an aged Russian

National Council for Civil

Sissons includes a special

report from Jane Corbin on the

Liberties which is celebrating

this week is filled by Donald This week is mind by borner Stewart, president of the Scottish National Party and

Member of Parliament for the

nousehold all is not sweetnes:

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a letter that poses her a moral

Propaganda Department extol

enjoying themselves at a

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the virtues of their

paces (r). 6.00 Wayne and Shuster. The

of television commercials. 6.30 Flashback: Sadness and

a peep at local authority

John Brown, a sculptor and

Vette Owner.
5.30 Making the Most Of...
Therese Birch with anoth

teacher from York.

CHOICE with the most devasting way of

answering questions with a single "yes", on the other, Profes Searle, a flamboyant atheist using words I've never heard of or likely to again "now we know that renal secretions synthesize a substance called anglotensin and that the angiotensin gets into the angiotensin gets into the hyperthalmus and causes a series of neuron firings". Obviously he uses the word "we" in the royal sense but thanks to the firm chairmanship of Professor

Honderich the flights into the highly technical are kept to a minimum and We are treated to the cleasure of an obvious battle of opposing ideas conducted in a gentlemanly fashion. The book that must be on nearly

every grandmother's bookself, THE COUNTRY DIARY OF AN EDWARDIAN LADY (ITV 7.00pm) has been skiffully adapted by Elsine Feinstein and Dirk Campbell into 12 parts and stars Pippa Guard as the Edwardish lady, Edith Holden. The series is not just a nature ramble through a 12 month period but contains elements of drama from Miss Holden's year that are not contained in the diary. In tonight's opening episode we learn of the family friction caused by her father's paint and varnish factory in Birmangham going through hard times; that she seems to have the capability to take messages from her late mother for her research for these. late mother for her grieving father; and, with the help of flashbacks, how

she came to have such an interest in nature. A gentle opener that bodes well for the series.

bigar. The last of three portrains in words and music of the great English composer who died 50 years ago; by Jerold Northrop Moore, Julian Glover plays Eigar.†

Analysis. Adrian Hamilton reports on Musical Chairs - City Style in which he examines the

which he examines the repercussions in the Stock

8.57Weather; Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Midweek; Libby Purves and Studio guests.†
10.00 News; Gardeners' Gueston Time visns Staffordshire.
10.30 Morning Story: Father's New Hobby' by Hill Stavel, Read by Cyrll Shaps.
10.45 Daily Service.
11.00 News; Travel; Baker's Dozen with Richard Baker.
11.48 Myself When Young, Harry Soan Looks back at his youth (3) Schooldays. 12.00 News; You and Yours. Consume Brooks.

12.37 The Killing Season by Arthur Jefferson, dramatised for rac sux parts (6). 12.55 Weather; Programme News. 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping

Forecast. 2.00 News; Woman's Hour. The guest of the week is Ann Stirland, who anthropologist to the Mary Rose Trust. There is also a feature on Mary Seacole, torgotten hero of the Crimean war, and Judi Dench reads the final instalm of Keith Waterhouse's Mrs

Proter's Diary.

3.00 Afternoon Theatre: The Spine-Chillers. David Campton's play Mrs M. with Rosemary Leach.

Anne Jameson and Roger Hume.

Mrs Meadowsweet runs a was meadowswest this in Devon, but two newcomers, Madge and Arthur, quickly sense that something is not quite right. For one thing, they have fewer worries, and do not bicker as

much as they used to . . . 3.47 Time for Verse, Poetic variations on biblical stories. By Johnn Mole. 4.00 News; Just after Four. lan

Grimble on roots.
4.10 File on 4. With Roger Finnigan.
4.40 Story time: 'Atlantic City Proof' by
Christopher Cook Gilmore (13).
Read by the author.
5.00 Mile New Meanure. PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather

Programme News, 6.00 The six o'clock News; Financial Report. 6.30 Funny Peculiar 1

BBC1 Wales: 12.67pm-1.90 News of Wales headlines, 3.48-3.50 News of Wales headlines, 5.55 Wales Today, 11.40 News and Weather. Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scotlish News. 4.35-4.45 The House That Joe Built. 4.45-5.00 A' Cheud Turus. 5.55 Scotland: Sorty minutes, 11,40 News and Weather, Northern Ireland and wearrer. Notitiers treamd: 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News. 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Scene around St. 11.00-11.35 Deridre. 11.35 News and Weather. England: 5.55pm Regional news magazines. 11.45 Cons.

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7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Checkpoint, A weekly investigation into listeners' problems of unfair dealings and injustice. With Roger Cooke.
7.45 Elgar. The last of three portraits in words and music of the creek. Radio 4 6.00 News Briefing: Weather.
6.10 Farming Today.
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News Summary. 6.45 Prayer for
the Day. 6.55, 7.56 Weather. 7.00,
8.00 Today's News. 7.25, 8.25
Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.57Weather; Travel.

repercussions in the Stock Exchange to the ruling met brokers should no longer be paid fored commissions for their services. Why should the ending

of a restrictive practice cause such a flurry of activity?

9.30 High Street Africa Revisited with Anthony Smith on his motorcycle.

9.45 Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine. Includes an interview with Mel Revise.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: "The Lost Domain" by Alain Fournier (8).
Head by Michael Williams.

10.30 The World Tonight.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.90 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15 Closa. Shipping Forecast.

England: VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30 Weather, Travel. 10.45-12.00 For Schools: 10.45 Radio History. 11.05 Singing Together 15. 11.25 Movement and Drama 2. 11.45 Contact. 1.55-2.0Cpm Listening Corner, 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 The Music Box. Schools: 2.00 The Music Box. 2.15 Introducing Geography. 2.35 Pictures in Your Mind (Music). 2.45 Nature. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00-11.30 Study on Four. L'Italia dal Vivo. 11.30-12.10am Open University: 11.30 Music Interlude. 11.50 The Uses of Learning, 12.30-1.10 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting: 12.30 Deutsch für die Oberstufe (15 &

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6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Your Midweek Choice: part one.
Smetena's Sarks (Ma Vlast);
Arensky's Suite No 1 for two
pianos (Adolf and Mikhail
Gotileb); Dvorak's String Quartet
in A flat. Op 105 (Prague String
Quartet); 8.00 News.
8.05 Your Midweek Choice: part two.
Haydn's Divertimento in C
fLondon Bargoue Ensemble);

(London Baroque Ensemble); Soler's Sonata in B minor, R 10 (Gilbert Rowland, harpsichord);

CHANNEL As London except:

1-7.00 Crossmarts, 12.00 Pm

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1.20pm-1.30 News, 5.15-5.45 Joe 90, 6.00 Channel Report.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

Vivaldi's Gloria in D major, RV 589 (Margaret Marshall, sop; Ann Murray, mezzo; and English Chamber Orch). 19.00 News. Murray, mezzo; and English Chamber Orch), t 9.00 News.

9.05 This Week's Composer: Herbert Howells. The Procession, Op 36 (London Phill); various songs sung by Philip Langridge (tenor), with Eric Parkin (puano); Ralph's Galliard (Howells's Clavichord), played by Ruth Dyson; Elegy Op 15 (Herbert Downes, viola New Philhermonia), and the Partita (Robert Gower, organ), to 10.00 Academy of St Martin-In-the-Fields: Weber's Symph No 2; and Tippett's Concerno tor double string orchastra. to 14.45 Beethoven; Jacques Klein (piano) plays the Sonate in Effat, Op 7; to 11.15 Chicago Symphony Orchestra: Bach (arr Schoenberg) Schmucke dich; Komm, Gort Schopler; Stravinsky (Symphony of Psalms); Sibelius (Swan of Tuoneta); and Panutnik (Sinfonia Sacra).

12.15 Concert Hall: flute and plano Londert Hast little and plano recital by Margaret Campbell and John Lenehan. Faure's Sidleenne: Handel's Sonata in F. Madeleine Dring's Wib Waltz; and Reinecke's Sonata: Undine,† 1,00 News.

1.05 John Wain's Jazz: Records of 5 John Wain's Jazz Records of some of Louis Armstrong's trombonists. They include Kid Ory, J C Hogshootham, Jack Teegarden, and Trummy Young. Matinée Musicale: BBC Concert Orch, with Kate Elimit and John Raiton (two pienos). Michael Hurd's overture to an unwritten comedy. Lako's Valse de la cigarette (Namouna): Gordon Jacob's Variations on a theme of Schubert; Fauter's suite Masques et Bergamasques; Vaudhan

et Bergamasques; Vaughan Williams's Fantasia on Greensleeves; and Amold's Concerto for two pianos and orch.t 2.30 Orlord String Quartet: Haydn's Quartet in F minor, Op 20 No 5:

Lutoslawski's Quartet; and Beethoven's Quartet in E minor, Op 59, No 2.1 4.00 Choral Evensong; live – from Hereford Cathedral, Organist and master of the Chorister is Roy Massey, f 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Roger Nichols's selections.f 6.30 Debut: A Radio 3 "first" for

6.30 Debut: A Radio 3 "first" for Nicholes Logie (viola), with Richard Greenwood (piano). Stravinsky's Elegie for solo viola; and Schumann's Marchenbider.†
7.00 The Noisemaker: A feature about the Grand Futurist Concers of Noises at the Collecum in London in June 1914. With David Ashford as Luigi Russolo, whose theories of a "music of noise" anticipated. of a "music of noise" anticipated the work of Stockhausen and John Cage. Written by Andrew

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Part two. Nielsen's Symph No 4
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Without any attempt to prevent the Muslim militias sophisticated underground fortifications around Beirut airport, the American Marines who came to Lebanon 18 months ago with such high hopes of restoring sovereignty to the country began their retreat vesterday in squadrons of Sea Stallion helicopters that airlifted both men and machines out to the US Sixth Fleet every 15 minutes throughout the day.

As if to emphasize their military failure, Israeli aircraft flew high over the Americans' last positions during the morning to bomb villages and towns now held by Druze and Palestinian guerrillas high in the mountains to the east.

No representative of the Lebanese Government - po symbol of the authority they came here to support - turned up at the airport to bid farewell to the first Marines to leave or to commiserate with them on the sacrifice they paid in vain for Lebanou: 259 dead since September 1982.

Gunmen riding motorcycles along the coastal highway watched without emotion as the giant helicopters freighted the first-line troops out to the American warships that steamed along the horizon. It was a melancholy day By Sunday, all 1,300 Marines

based around the airport are expected to have left Lebanon. They have no intention of destroying the deep under-ground bunkers - made up of containers sunk into the earth beside the airport runways - in which they have lived for the past three months. "Anyone who wants them is welcome to them", a young Marine officer

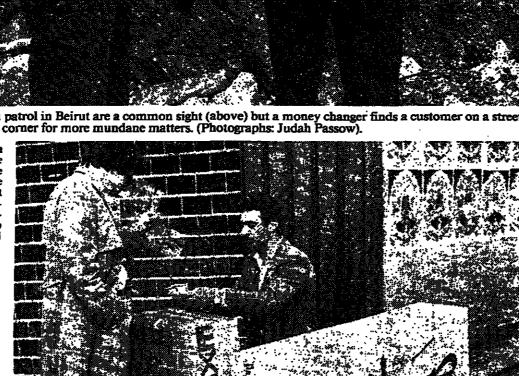
A military commander of the Amal militia dismissively announced that his organization did not even want the American bunkers; for the past two weeks the Marines in any case have been totally encircled by the victorious Muslim militias of west Beirut.

The steady disintegration and withdrawal of the multinational force is now creating great anxiety in west Beirut where rumours that Israeli troops were storming ashore at Khalde just south of the airport on Monday night started a panic among thousands of civilians in the southern suburbs of the capital. The reports, disseminated by the Phalangist Voice of Lebanon radio, also claimed that an Israeli gunboat was shelling the Chatila Palestinian camp. All the broadcasts proved to



Life goes on: Armed men on patrol in Beirut are a common sight (above) but a money changer finds a customer on a street





Massive Israeli show of strength

Continued from page 1

AK47 rifle, aware that the column was intended also to give encouragement to beleaguared Christians now tenuously holding positions between the Awali and Damour.

It was not until yesterday afternoon, 24 hours later, that Mr Moshe Arens, the Defence Minister, confirmed that a "bigger than usual" Israeli column had been operating for a day and a night north of the Awali. Aware of the controversial nature of the move, Mr Arens emphasized that the troops had returned to the defence line by sunset. But he said that such patrolling would

On Monday, the Israeli occasionally column cheered by the hundreds of frightened-looking Lebanese Christian refugees sitting in an assortment of overloaded cars, trucks, and vans waiting to enter southern Lebanon to join the 20,000 of their co-relig-ionists who have fled south

from the latest fighting.

Many are now living in public buildings or crammed into Christian towns like Jezzine, preferring not to remain in Muslim-dominated Sidon for ear of future sectarian bloodshed. Many told me they had fled from three Christian areas a few miles north of the Awali now being shelled nightly by Druze artillery in the hills. As the tanks clanked past the

small car being driven by Mr. Elias Butros, an electrical engineer from a Christian town in the Chouf, each one shook the giant, gold-plated chandelier strapped precarioulsy on top his vehicle. It was all that the 50year-old Christian had managed to salvage from his new villa. "For the Christians, the army

s finished. We did not want to stay fighting any longer," explained Mr Tony Cessian, an unshaven man who appeared to have very little stomach for a fight with anyone. Asked where he was going he replied: Anywhere. I am going south."

Throughout southern Lebanon, there is confusion about Israel's intentions, reinforced by this apparent switch in military strategy north of the Awali. Mr Mohammed Ghaddar, spokes-man for the Amal Muslim militia in Sidon, claimed angrily that only an Israeli withdrawal would end the rapidly mounting resentment against the Israelis among the Shia Muslim najority in southern Lebanon Leading article, page 15

Frank Johnson in Iowa

Upstaged by the old sportscaster

The day of the lowa caucuses dawned, and by the afternoon President Reagan was in the State campaigning. On the Republican side, Mr Reagan's candidature for the Presidency was uncontested. But there were eight Democratic candidates. The lowa caucuses then, had nothing to do with Mr Reagan, and were all about the eight Democrats, which was why Mr Reagan descended on Iowa.

With television pictures being projected to the rest of America of eight Democrats against the background of one of the most wholesome parts of the nation, the Leader of the Free World could not stand idly by. He arrived and explained at once what a relief it was to get out of Washing-

Meanwhile, the eight Democrats were trying to prove that they could get him out of Washington perma-nently. Threatened by all this, Mr Reagan responded by returning to the radio station in Des Moines to meander with unstoppable amiability about his days as a sports announcer there in the 1930s, the event being televised live. The Democrats were ap-

palled by this ruthless presidential initiative. I'm sur-prised at the White House. They're taking this President, who's not had a good two weeks, and they're using him."
Thus Mr Patrick Caddell, the
adviser to Mr Hart. Mr Caddell was a lugubri-ous man disguised behind a black beard. He was rather

insultingly described as "Strategist for President Carter'. akin to being described as Strategist for the Argentine infantry at Port Stanley. Perhaps that was why he was lugubrious and disguised by a black beard. In any case, he seemed rather a killjoy.

For the rest of us were entranced by Mr Reagan at the radio station. They had set it out just as it was in that arcadian time when he was

Excitedly, we all awaited the President's return to the small studio. The man who now does his job as sports announcer reverently showed us around. "Here's where he did the the Wheaties commercials." he explained. The President suddenly

ambled in, positioned himself lovingly behind the old microphone, inquired as to whether there was much news today explained that everything coming in from the airpere looked so natural" just as it was in the old days, was wired up for television and, heeding the call that we were on the air, started to reminisce with vengance.

You used to read from it. running baseball scores coming over during the game and make out the station doing a commentary live from the game, didn't you Mr.
President?" asked the man who now does Mr Reagan's

job (in the radio station, first Reagan chuckled naughtily. You see, he con-fessed. Curlie Whatdale used to sit behind the glass over there typing while the details of a game came in from Western Union Curie would slip a piece of paper under the glass while you were at the microphone. It would contain just a couple of figures, than all, it was a kind of code. Mr Reagan then launched

into a sample of his commentary, which posed difficulties for the Briton ignorant of the game. Adopting the excited tone of the 1930s spans commentator, the Preside commentator, the rresident explained that with only Curlie's code to go on he would say something has "Dean comes out of the wind" up. Here comes the pitch, and its a hard-hit ball down to second base. So and so goes after the ball, picks it up and it over the first just in time for the out. All this time you were waiting for the next one from Curlie.

"All he would send across would be S.I.C., which mean; you see, strike, one, call, \$6 you'd say. 'He's got the sign comes out of the wind up. here's the pitch and its a cal strike breaking over the outside corner.

Mr Reagan nodded his bear almost in amused disbelief did he see his role as sports announcer, the present incum bent asked Mr Reagan with appropriate solemnity - an improvement on the more boring question as to how he sees his role as President.

"I always had out there a listener. I've tried to paint a picture . . . i had the long blue shadow coming over the field I had the chill wind coming over the stadium . . . They were good days." he concluded. "Sorry I rambled on," he said after we went off the air.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements The Oueen and The Duke of

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee, attends a reception at St James's Palace for young people who have reached the Gold Standard in The Duke of Edinthis Award, 11.30 to 12.30 and 3.15 to 4.15; and later, as Patron of the Sail Training Association, attends the premiere of an STA promotional film at Britannic House, Moor Lane, EC2, 6.

The Princess of Wales, Patron of the British Red Cross Youth, visits the National Headquarters of the Society, Grosvenor Crescent, SWI, 10.45.

be untrue but there is a growing fear in the west of the

capital that the Israelis, unable

to rid themselves of the

unfounded suspicion that

Palestine Liberation Organiza-

tion battalions are reassem-

bling in Beirnt, may soon bomb the city itself, just as they did in 1981 and 1982.

Israeli patrols far north of

the Israeli front line at the Awali river and this week's air

raid on Damour are regarded

by the Druze as a warning not

to infiltrate Beirut or countryside south of

allow Palestinian guerrillas

"There is no evidence that

armed Palestinians are in the

city or along the battlefront to

the south. Israeli armour south

of Damour has prevented the Druze and Shia Muslim mil-

itias from advancing farther

down the coastal highway

although they still intend to

consolidate a small pocket of

territory nominally controlled

by Lebanon Government troops

Canada, to attend Seventy-fifth Anniversary celebrations of first powered flight within the Commonwealth, at Sydney. Nova Scotia, departs from Heathrow, 9.35.

Printmakers Circle: an exhibition

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Solution of Puzzle No. 16,360

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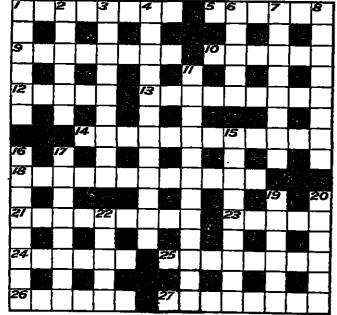
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New exhibitions

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,361



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- 18 21, possibly, is part of the illustration (12).
- among directions for the walk
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- depends (6).
- the wind, presumably (8).
- 27 A distress signal about most effective fire protection (8).

- 3 Make another introduction, as does i dn (9).

Prince Michael of Kent leaves for

of screen prints and lino cuts; Tunbridge Wells Art Gallery, Civic Centre, Mount Pleasant, Tunbridge

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- gallery? (8). Irish scene of flying fur (8). 10 Two first-class shots, they say, 11 Ability to respond positively when organized vice is sensed 12 Subject that takes the stuffing (12).
- Security device for those at sea 13 Looking dismal we plead for one outside Ohio (9). 16 Gift of iron hoop (8).
- 17 Cetacean loses nothing from Church? (12).
- Musicians set about former Head of Television (6). 21 Design advertisement found 20 Mustachioed type ate oysters with chips perhaps (6). 22 Strong man in position of
- 23 Last character to get an honour, 24 A product of the freeze? It
- 25 One who abscords gone with
- 26 Perhaps 'e sings a sort of rock
- 1 Pit overseer with record in
- business performance (6). 2 Farthest point reached by a Continental river-horse (6).
 - **CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 12**

Wells: Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30, Sat

Acrylics and pastels by Wendy Williams: Hereford City Museum, Board Street, Hereford; Tues to Fri 10 to 6, Thur 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 4. closed Sun and Mon (until March

The artist and the castle; Newport Museum and Art Gallery, John Frost Square, Newport, Gwent; Mon to Thurs 10 to 5.30, Fri 10 to 4.30, Sat 9.30 to 4 (until March 10). Etching by Bevis Sale: Prescot Museum. 34 Church Street, Prescot, Lancashire: Tues to Sat 10 to 5

Paintings from the Robert Edmiston Bequest, including work by Lauder, Henderson, Brown, East and Kay: Maclaurin Art Gallery, Rozelle Park, Ayr; 11 to 5 (ends

today). Fire and Smoke, an exhibition of

Raku pottery: Walsali Museum and Art Galiery, Lichfield Street, Walsali; 10 to 6 (ends today).

Talks, lectures.

The life of Arthur Ransome, by Hugh Brogan, Oxford Book Associ-ation, Clarendon Press Centre, Walton Street, Oxford, 8.
The modification of Materials by lon Implantation and ion beam mixing, by Dr G. Dearnaley, Large

Lecture Theatre, Physics Poynting Building, Birmingham University, India and Britain, by J. Calder, Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street, Edmburgh, 2.

Recital by the Penna Trio, Museum and Art Gallery, Chequer Road, Doncaster, 1. 1. Recital by Mezzoforte, St David's Hall, Cardiff, 7.30,

Anniversaries

Births: George Washington, 1st president of the United States, 1789-97, Westmoreland County, Virginia. 1732: Arthur Schopenhager, philos James Russell Lowell, poet and diplomat, Cambridge, Massachus-sets, 1819; Robert Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden Powell of Gilwell Baron Bapen Fowen or Granten, founder of the Scout movement, London, 1857; Heinrich Hertz, physicist, Hamburg, 1857; Norman Lindsay, artist and novelist, Creswick, Australia, 1879; Erie Gill, sculptor, type designer and en-graver, Brighton, 1882; Edna St Vincent Millay, poet and dramatist, Rockland, Maine, United States,

Deaths: Jean-Baptist Corot, Dainter, Paris, 1875; Sir Charles Lyell, geologist, London, 1875; Hugo Wolf, composer, Vienna, 1903

National Day

The small pear-shaped island of St Lucia in the Windward Island group of the West Indies today celebrates the fifth anniversary of its independence from Britain, With a population of about 120,000, the mainstay of the economy is almost exclusively agricultural, with bananas far and away the biggest

New books - hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

As I Please, by Jimmy Reid (Mainstrean, 29.95).

Bright Darkness, the poetry of Lord Byron presented in the context of his life and times, by Anne Fleming (Nottingham Court Press, 29.95).

Donitz, the Last Fuehrer, by Peter Padfield (Gollancz, £12.95).

Eisenhower the Soldier, 1890-1952, by Stephen E. Ambrose (Allen and Unwin, £12.50).

Ninety-Nine Novels, The Best in English since 1939, a personal choice by Anthony Burgess (Allinson and Busby, 28.95, a paperback, £2.95).

E10.30). The Pre-Raphaelites (Tate Gallery, £25, Penguin, £10.95). The Rise of the French Communist Party 1920-1947, by Edward Mortimer

Several newspapers criticize the Labour MP Miss Joan Maynard for

the IRA.

The Daily Mirror says: "In her world, the left is always right and the right is always wrong. She is our Joan of Marx... more silly than

"Miss Maynard says she doesn't

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The History of Ancient Israel, by Michael Grant (Weidenfeld and Nicolson, $\mathfrak{L}16.50$).

The papers

uestioning the use of the word terrorist" to describe members of

endorse violence. Maybe not. But she does the next worst thing, she excuse it.
"Terrorism can be simply

through the ballot box. Inat is the IRA'S unwavering object."
The Sun, which describes Miss Maynard as Mr Wedgwood Benn's close aide, says her sole importance is "as a sympton of the sickness which is destroying Labour as a responsible, decent, political force."
The paper adds: "The Labour Party is still hell-bent for destruction, The only difference now is that

tion. The only difference now is that the shaky hand at the controls belongs to Neil Kinnock."

The Daily Express, which says Miss Maynard is usually known as "Stalin's nanny", says she is guilty of "appalling, benighted cant".

The paper says: "She endorses Irish 'freedom fighters', but not the way they have 'freed' hundreds from the irksome bother of living."

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lane traffic in each direction Wales and west: A30: Improve-ment work between Exeler and Launceston, temporary traffic lights at Whiddon Down, Sticklepath, Lobhill, Lewdown, A417: Roadworks at St Oswald's Road-works at St Oswald's Road. Gloucester: diversions via new northern bypass. A394: Improve-ment work between Penryn and Helston, at Longdowns, Cornwall; temporary traffic lights.

Midlands and East Anglia: A47: Roadworks with traffic signals at Postwich, between Norwich and Yarmouth. A45: Various lane closures along Cambridge bypass. A45: Lane closures east and westbound along Bury St Edmunds North: A534: Sewer laying at Crewe Road. Winterley, Sandbach, Cheshire; single lane traffic with traffic lights. A6: Sewer replacement at Kirkland. Kendal. Cumbria.

A628: Improvement work to bridge over river Don at Thurleston, South Yorkshire; single lane controlled by traffic signals. Scotland: A71: Roadworks east of Wilkieston, Midlothian; one lane only. A68: Road subsidence north of Dalkeith, Midlothian; all south bound traffic and northbound traffic over 30 cwt diverted remaining northbound traffic reduced to a single lane. A7:
Roadworks two and a half miles north of Stow. Borders; one lane

only, controlled by temporary lights.

Information supplied by the AA.

Flights to Spain

Industrial action threatens flights by the Spanish airline Iberia from by the Spanish arrune norm London's Heathrow airport today, Passengers are advised to check with the airline before setting out. If the action went ahead it could be a goslow and only a few of the eight daily flights from Heathrow could The dispute is between Spanish

unions and management involved in annual pay negotiations.

Weather forecast

Pressure will be low over Britain with most districts having showers.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S England, East Anglia, Midlands (E): Mostly cloudy, showers, perhaps longer outbreaks of rain; wind SW, becoming N leter, moderate or fresh; max temp 6 to 7C (43

moderate or fresh; max temp 6 to 7C (43 to 45F).

E, NE, central N England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen, central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Ordney, Shetlandt Mostly cloudy, occasional showers, misty at times; winds E to SE, moderate or fresh; max temp 5 to 6C (41 to 43F).

Midlands (W), N Wales, NW England, iste of Man, Northern Irelandt Showers becoming scattered, sunny or clear periods, misty later, perhaps frost later; wind N to NW, fresh at first, decreasing light to moderate; max temp 6C (43F).

Champel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Showers, sunny or clear intervals; wind NW, fresh or strong, decreasing moderate later; max temp 8C (45F).

decreasing moderate later; max temp 8C (46F).
Lake District, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Angyli: Sunny or clear periods, scattered showers: wind NE, moderate; max temp 6 to 7C (43 to 45F).
Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Showers dying out, rain later in the NW, overnight fog and frost in places; temperatures close to normal. temperatures cose to normal.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind SE, backing E, fresh or strong; sea rough.

Stratts of Dover Wind S, strong, becoming variable, fresh; sea moderate or rough. English Chennel (E): Wind W or NW, strong or gale; sea very rough.

St George's Channel: Wind NW, gale; sea very rough, trish Sea: Wind N, fresh or strong sea zuweh.

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Last Quarter: Tomorrow. Lighting-up time

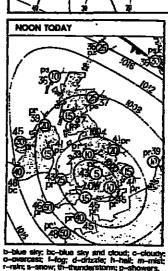
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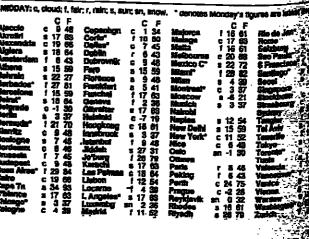


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